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THE J. E. JONES LETTER

PRACTICAL RESULTS IN RADIO

It is less than two years ago that the American Navy was called upon to prevent our friends, the British, from launching their cables on the Florida coast, thereby tying up for the British all the existing means of communication with Latin America. One day in January of last year a committee of United States Senators got together and listened to a statement by Owen D. Young, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Radio Corporation of America. In the slang of the street he "told them a thing or two." As a result of many conferences between Government officials and the pioneers who have already made tremendous strides in the development of wireless telephony, Uncle Sam is no longer alarmed about the foreign ownership and control of the cables. For the results of a thorough understanding between the Government and the Radio Corporation spurred the latter to hasten their patriotic efforts and today the United States is moving rapidly forward towards becoming the center of a world system of communications in the operation of which the whims or restrictions of foreign nations cut very little figure.

HELLO, E-U-R-O-P-E!

A few days ago the writer visited "central office" in New York City, where radio messages were passing to and from Great Britain, France, Norway and Germany. Communications were as immediate as between telegraph operators; or as telephone conversation, without any considerable intervening distances. An operator "receiving" a message from Norway suddenly touched a typewriter key and by that simple action notified the Norwegian operator to "stop" until the man in New York could straighten out sheets of paper he was using. Instantly the order was obeyed, and a few seconds later the message from Norway was resumed when the New York operator signified that he was ready. I saw it, and heard it; and it was explained by a Radio official—and still I answered: "Tain't so—it can't be done!" For how could "the hearing ear and the seeing eye" that the Old Testament describes play such tricks on what Byron described as the "magic of the mind"? And can you blame me for expecting a definite answer to the question of my fellow spectator, who had come from the Chicago stockyards, when he asked: "How far is it to heaven?" It is a long way—some one observes—for the packers. But Europe isn't far when the land operators at "central office" and the great station at the edge of the ocean spans the wave lengths and makes possible instantaneous communication between the old and the new world.

So recently as November 6, 1921, President Harding formally opened the great American Radio Central at Port Jefferson, Long Island. And, today, five months later, American radio communication is handling one-fifth of the messages and volume of business between the two continents. The laying of trans-Atlantic cables, at the time, was considered among the great achievements of the world. But cables need never be "cut" again in order that a victorious Dewey may more effectively carry on his operations. And the British and the French can no longer boast of their "central" of trans-Atlantic communication. For radio is not particular where it goes, and as usual the Yankees are ahead of the world in making it go everywhere. Today you can walk into "radio central" and they will accept your message which they will transmit by land wires and wireless to any part of the world.

"FLY ROUTES" TO PANAMA
Secretary of War Weeks has advised Congress that plans are being worked out to establish an air route to the Panama Canal Zone as a measure of national defense. When landing places have been established, army planes will be sent to the zone under their own power. Weeks wants lots of planes, and he figures that he can beat any foreign navy "scrapped" or "unscrapped" with them.

CONGRESSIONAL CHEESE-PARING
It is emphasized that the railroads of the country want \$2,000,000,000 for additional trackage, rolling stock and terminal facilities, and the big question in Washington seems to be methods for getting it.

And while the railroads continue their complaints of inability to cope with the transportation problem, every attempt to utilize the natural waterways of the country to supplement the railroads, is headlined throughout the country as a "raid on the treasury," or "pork barrel legislation." The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway would expenditures that must be made for the cost a mere bagatelle as compared with

PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

The Parent-Teacher Association meeting will be held in the Assembly Room of Gould's Academy, Wednesday evening, April 12, at 8 o'clock. Following is the program:

Piano solo, Margaret Hanscom
Recitation, Miss Thea Hutchinson
Reading, Miss Litchfield
Speaker, Mrs. Abbott
Vocal Solo, Miss Clara S. Mason
Recitation, Miss Florence Young
Singing, Mr. and Mrs. Achenbach

railroads, but it is put off year after year on the ground of economy. Meanwhile its advocates point out the great benefits in transportation that would result through such a waterways system.

A few Congressmen from arid-desert regions in the Southwest have made the bill. The Engineering Corps of the War usual howl about the rivers and harbors Department recommended appropriations for \$63,000,000, and the Chief of Engineers cut the estimates to \$42,000,000. Then came the "Budget estimate," which in its policy of slashing all appropriations, recommended that only \$27,000,000 be allowed. The House of Representatives got a little tired of having everybody act as headsmen, and by the decisive vote of 168 to 54, put the bill through the House along the lines of estimates made by the Chief of Engineers—\$42,815,601.

It has been the fashion to build up popular prejudice against these comparatively small appropriations for internal improvements, and while Congress has been cheese-paring in this direction, billions of dollars have been voted for other purposes. When the war came on the "raids on the treasury" for rivers and harbors were checked, and many of the harbors of the country were allowed to silt and fill with the result that in many instances where projects contemplated deepening the channels for navigation to a definite depth, the harbors have filled up so that we have a less depth than at the time the project was adopted.

When the country comes to study the rivers and harbors situation it will realize that the development of waterways, transportation has contained less "raids on the treasury" and less "pork barrel" than is incident to most forms of public improvement. A few glaring instances of the use of public money secured through some scheming Congressman for the dredging of "Fish Creek" is wholly irrelevant when the justice of appropriations are considered to improve transportation for the good of the people along the Great Lakes, and on the seaboard of the Atlantic, Pacific, the Gulf of Mexico, and on navigable rivers. The rivers and harbors bills have been the refuge for political demagogues to show how they saved a few thousand dollars in billion dollar Congresses for the past twenty-five years, and it is high time that the bluff of the cheese-parers was understood by the public.

THE PRIOR OF A SENATORSHIP

The Newberry case is being debated in many States. The argument is being used that the direct election of Senators is so expensive that a poor man cannot afford to run for Senator. But Bradstreet or Dunn would hardly endorse the claim that the Senate is "a rich man's club," and yet there is always a suspicion that a good many of its members have been elected following the expenditure of a good deal of money. But how are the people to be informed about the virtues of the candidates without the printed and spoken word being sent broadcast throughout a State? Bargain hunters might "cut the corners" and get a Senatorship at a cheap price, but the average politician will tell you it is a hard game to "run a good" campaign without spending a little "bad money." What is Senator Pepper going to do in Pennsylvania where the voters learned their lessons in the schools of Quay and Penrose? Senator Townsend of Michigan was between the deep blue sea and the Republicans, and naturally he voted with the latter in the Newberry trial. Senator LaFollette, although a Republican, voted against Newberry. Both Senators claim their party votes on their record. But just see what confronts Beveridge and New in Indiana! The prices of Senatorships will figure in State elections this year.

NOTICE

I wish to announce that I shall be a candidate for Postmaster, when the proper time arrives, and will appreciate any assistance my friends and patrons of Bethel Post Office may give me.

J. E. RUTCHINS

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. C. W. Hall was in Berlin, N. H., Wednesday.

Mr. D. H. Spearin is confined to the house by illness.

Mr. E. C. Park was a business visitor in Portland, Tuesday.

Dr. W. B. Twaddle and son, John, were in Lewiston, Saturday.

Mrs. E. C. Park and daughter, Muriel, were in Portland, Thursday.

Mr. S. F. Peaslee of Upton was in town the last of the week.

Mr. Fred Clark was a business visitor in Norway last Wednesday.

Miss Muriel Park returned to her school at South Paris last week.

Misses Dorris and Marion Frost were in Portland a few days last week.

Master Richard Holt is spending his vacation with his mother at Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Thurston have opened their house on Kimball Park.

Mrs. F. E. Donahue has been confined to the house the past week by illness.

Mr. Robert Wheeler of South Paris was a business visitor in town, Tuesday.

Mr. Daniel Forbes left Thursday for Exeter, N. H., where he has employment.

Mrs. Harriet Hibbard has returned to her duties in the home of W. W. Hastings.

Mrs. F. L. Edwards and daughter, Dorothy, spent a few days in Portland this week.

Mrs. Carrie Merrill has opened an ice cream parlor in connection with her lunch room.

Mrs. G. L. Starkevart of Yarmouth was the guest of friends in town a few days last week.

Miss Doris Thurlow of South Paris was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Austin last week.

Quite a good number attended the Rebekah supper served at I. O. O. F. Hall, Monday evening.

Mrs. Emma Barker and Miss Gladys Barker of Rumford were in town a few days the first of the week.

Miss Kathryn Ramsell was the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Holt, in Norway last week.

Miss Methyl Packard of Portland was the guest of her sister, Miss Ida Packard, over the week end.

About 20 inches of snow fell during Friday night and Saturday. It was the largest snow storm for the winter.

Mrs. E. E. McKeen and Mrs. Mabel Allen returned Friday from Portland, where they have been spending several days.

Mrs. Martha Bartlett and Miss Alice Willis, who have been spending the winter in Florida, returned to Bethel, Friday.

Mrs. Octavia Bean has returned to her home at East Bethel after spending the winter with Mrs. Edmund Merrill and family.

Mr. W. W. Hastings returned to Bethel, Saturday, after spending the winter in Florida and has opened his house on Broad street.

A dressmaking shop has been opened at the residence of Mr. F. B. Hall on Main street and will be known as The "Ruth" Shoppe.

On Palm Sunday evening, April 9, at 7:30, a chorus of eighteen voices will render the Cantata, "The First Easter," at the Congregational Church. All the people of the community are invited.

There will be a meeting of the Women's Farm Bureau at Grange Hall, Friday and Saturday, April 7 and 8, at which time patterns and millinery will be taken up. All interested are invited to attend.

Mr. Nalmeo, who recently purchased the Wentzell stand on Main street, has removed the two big elm trees that stood next to the house occupied by H. E. Littlefield. One of them was 44 inches at the base and the other 35 inches.

Mr. C. F. Upton was a Sunday caller at Selden Grover's.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Kennerson are moving into Frank Taylor's rent.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Churchill are moving into their new home.

Mr. Martel Butterfield returned to Farmington, Tuesday morning.

Mr. Harry Churchill recently purchased three cows of Frank Bartlett.

Mr. Abner West of Norfolk, Va., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Cope land.

Mrs. Millie Clark, who is having the prevailing cold, is better at this writing.

Miss Marion Parsons is staying with Mr. and Mrs. George Haggood this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gordon and two children have moved to Lyman Wheeler's farm.

Mr. Austin Leighton of Portland is working for George Haggood at the Haggood farm.

Miss Viola Grover was the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Anna Grover, during her vacation.

Miss Dorothy Parsons was the guest of the Misses Hildred and Phyllis Bartlett a few days last week.

Mr. Elwin Wilson and Miss Minnie Wilson were week end guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Anna Grover.

Miss Hildred Bartlett was a guest of Miss Dorothy Parsons at the Haggood farm the first of the week.

Miss Elsie Bartlett, who teaches school in Dover, N. H., is the guest of her father, Mr. Edson Bartlett, and brother, W. E. Bartlett, and family.

Miss Cleo Russell, Messrs. Herman Mason, Wesley Wheeler and H. H. Hastings went to Bangor, Wednesday to attend the Republican State Convention.

Friends of Mrs. Bertram Packard will be pleased to learn that Mr. Packard has recently been appointed Deputy State Superintendent of Schools. Mrs. Packard was formerly Miss Helen Blawie, daughter of Mrs. D. G. Lovejoy.

Friends in town have received the announcement of the marriage of Helen Spencer Loring to Dr. F. Russell Dame on Saturday, Feb. 25, at Brimfield, Mass. Mrs. Dame was a former student of Gould's Academy and will be remembered by many friends in Bethel who extend congratulations.

Rev. Mr. Little was called to Hanover last Saturday to attend the funeral of Arthur M. Brown, a former resident of Hanover, and a veteran of the Civil War. Mr. Brown died in Pepperell, Mass., at the home of a son with whom he had been living for several years. The burial was in Hanover.

Mr. Charles L. Pollard entertained a small party of young people at the Inn on the evening of his birthday, March 29. A number of lively progressive games were played, and dancing followed the refreshments. Mrs. Gilley and Mrs. Upson assisted in receiving. Those present were: Misses Leonora Hodgdon, Kathryn, Margaret and Dorothy Hanscom and Grace Van Den Kerkhoven, and Messrs. Edward Hanscom, Clarence Philbrook, Eugene Van Den Kerkhoven, Taylor Clough and Rodney Linnell.

NOTICE

There will be a public whist party at the Grange Hall, Friday, Apr. 7. Admission, 25 cents. Come, even if not a Granger. For the benefit of the Grange.

NORTH PARIS

The school in Tuelltown began Monday, April 3, with the same teacher, Mr. Perham.

Mr. Arthur Allen has had electric lights installed in his buildings.

Mrs. Gladys Bailey and two children from Monmouth have been visiting her aunt, Mrs. James Bradford.

Levi Hazelton is at work in the mill for Ellingwood & McAllister.

Miss Beatrice Andrews spent a part of last week in Auburn with a friend.

There was quite a large snow storm here Saturday, there being about twenty inches.

Inez Elwell spent last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elwell.

OBITUARIES

GEORGE BROWN GROVER

Mr. Albert Brown Grover, youngest son of Almon and Olive Wheeler Grover, born October 5, 1857, died March 31, in the Maine General Hospital at Portland, where he had been for treatment for about a month.

Mr. Grover was married to Edith Wheeler on Jan. 3, 1889, and they made their home on Grover Hill.

Mr. Grover is survived by his wife, two brothers, Samuel Grover of Mason and Eugene Grover of Minnesota, an adopted sister, Mrs. Emma Barker of Rumford, besides a number of nieces and nephews, who will sadly miss his presence in the home.

Mr. Grover was a most obliging neighbor and will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends.

SHIRLEY HASELTON

Mr. Shirley Haselton died from an attack of apoplexy early in the morning of April 1 at the home of Miss Rachel Mayberry on Grover Hill.

He was the oldest son of John and Hannah Wheeler Haselton and was born in Albany, March 10, 1868, and spent the greater part of his life in his home town.

Mr. Haselton's wife died several years ago. He is survived by three children, Florence, wife of Arthur Bean of Albany, Maine, who has devotedly and affectionately cared for her father in his protracted invalidism, and John Haselton. He also leaves three sisters, Miss Ida M. Haselton, Mrs. Edie Anderson and Miss Zada Haselton, and a brother, Sherman Haselton, all of Bethel.

Mr. Haselton was a member of the Bethel Union Church.

Funeral services will be held at the home of Dana Morrill, Thursday evening, April 13, for the purpose of electing officers, etc.

Mrs. Marjorie Mason very pleasantly entertained the Ladies' Chapel Aid Society on Wednesday afternoon, March 29th. Oats and coffee were served. Twelve ladies were present and good interest was shown. Plans were made for a mid-summer lawn party and other social affairs, the first of which will be a social and sale of candy and popcorn at Grange Hall, Friday evening, Apr. 7. The next meeting of the Aid will be at the home of Mrs. Earl Jordan, Wednesday afternoon, April 5.

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Miss Annie O'Leary of Mexico is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Sweet.

Paul Davis of New Portland has been visiting friends in town.

Charles Morgan has moved his family into Mrs. Louise Learned's rent.

Howard Dunning has returned from Concord, N. H.

Edward Pratt and family have moved into the rent recently vacated by Chas. Morgan.

David Richards from Dresden, Me., has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Hervey Hall, at South Andover.

Mrs. Fred Milton has been visiting friends in Boston and Providence, R. I.

The annual parish meeting of the Congregational church was held Monday afternoon at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Learned are entertaining their grandsons, Webster and Howard Learned, from Rumford.

Earl Glidden is working in the spool mill.

BONGO FORD

Mr. Urbain Decemier, who has been working for Abner Kimball for the past ten years, has finished his labors there and gone to Lewiston to seek employment.

Fred White has finished working for A. B. Kimball and is stopping for a while at Will Lowe's in Bethel before going to Boston.

L. N. Kimball's little girl, Mildred, who went through an operation at Dr. Tibbetts' last week, is doing fine.

Songo school opened Tuesday, Mr. Kane of Brookline, Me., as teacher. He is boarding at Irving Decker's.

Carlton Saunders and Richard Brown are working for A. B. Kimball, cutting wood.

Charles Gorman was a Sunday guest at Songo Lake Cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Penley are staying at Hoscoe Emery's for a while.

A. B. Kimball has a nice flock of Spring lambs.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

METHODIST CHURCH

10.00 A. M. Meeting of Mothers' Jewels.

10.45. Morning worship with sermon by the pastor. Subject, "Enough said."

12.00. Sunday School, A. C. Adams, Supt.

7.00. Evening worship.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at the church Thursday afternoon.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. S. T. Achenbach, Pastor
Thursday, April 6, 8 o'clock: Meeting of the Ladies' Club with Mrs. Cilley at Bethel Inn.

Sunday, April 9:
10.45: Palm Sunday service, with appropriate sermon and music.

12.00: Sunday School.

4.00: Junior C. B. Society meeting. Topic, How to be Right in the Heart. Leader, Elizabeth Verrill.

7.30: A chorus of eighteen adults will render the Easter Cantata, "The First Easter," by Edith S. Tillotson and Ira B. Wilson. The public invited.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

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Church built 1855

Rev. J. H. Little, Pastor

Morning service at 10.45.

Sunday School at 12.

Evening meeting at 7.

Next Sunday, Palm Sunday service. Topic of evening service, "The Loyalty of Jesus." Reference, Luke 2, 40.

The following Sunday there will be the usual sunrise service at 6.30 A. M. The Easter sermon at 10.45.

April 23 the annual sermon of the I. O. O. F. will be delivered by the pastor at 10.45 A. M.

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A lot of Women's Rubbers, the \$1.00 grade, for high heel boots, price 25c.

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IT HAPPENED IN NEW ENGLAND

News of General Interest From the Six States

F. A. Cross of Northbridge claims the Massachusetts record as a long-distance office holder. At the recent town meeting he was elected constable for the 1924 time.

With six dissenters, the Massachusetts legislative committee on education has reported against the bill raising the compulsory school age from 14 to 16.

The Maine office of the Internal Revenue received in income taxes the sum of \$2,877,206.77 this year for the year 1921, as against the sum of \$4,419,947.75 received in 1921 for the year 1920, a decrease of \$1,542,641.00.

"Pussyfoot" Johnson, internationally known as the representative of the Anti-Saloon League, is scheduled to speak in Portland, Me., April 30. He will speak on the subject, "The New India."

William Phillips of Massachusetts, present minister to the Netherlands, has been nominated by Pres. Harding to be under secretary of state, succeeding Henry P. Fletcher, who soon will take up his new post as ambassador to Belgium.

Mrs. Clement Berube of Salem, Mass., who observed her 88th birthday, March 27, enjoys the record of having 13 children living, 100 grandchildren and 118 great grandchildren living and she is planning to live to be 100 years old and to see the fifth generation represented.

Lawrence W. Carroll, who was manager of the Rialto Theatre, New Haven, Ct., when it was burned last November, bringing death to nine persons, has been held for the superior court by Judge Hoyt on a charge of manslaughter based upon the finding of Coroner Mix.

Mrs. Eva Latour of Oxford, Mass., in separate support proceedings in probate court, Worcester, against Toussant P. Latour of Auburn, alleging that he has failed to support her and is living apart from her without due cause, was sentenced to four months in the house of correction for alleged desertion of her husband and their seven children.

On complaint of William S. Carter of the Postoffice building, Swampscott, Mass., that a dog was patrolling in front of his residence and howling continually at intervals throughout the night, a police officer at 3.30 in the morning, arrested the dog on a charge of disturbing the peace. The animal was promptly booked and locked up at police headquarters.

The trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College have raised the tuition to \$180 per year for four-year students entering the college from states other than Massachusetts. The new rate will be effective in September, 1922, for those entering for the first time, but will be postponed until September, 1923, for those already enrolled.

Garar G. Davis, vice-president of the George E. Keith Co., Brockton, Mass., who died recently, left \$25,000 to the Rev. Joseph Machin, pastor of the Hope Chapel, there, and a like amount to the Rev. Herbert Young, the assistant pastor. His will, filed for probate also leaves a trust fund of \$5000 to Carl Johnson, his gardener and \$5000 to Edward A. Jennings, his personal chauffeur.

Brig. Gen. Charles H. Cole, commander of the State Department of the American Legion, in sending out an advisory message concerning the soldier's bonus, to the 274 Legion posts in Massachusetts, declared that "no more important domestic question confronts our country today than this question of keeping faith with and redeeming public promises to the men who fought the war."

Mortality among college students is higher than in any other group of corresponding numbers. The Rev. Dr. Warren F. Shelton of New York, a secretary of the Methodist educational board, told the New England southern conference of the church. His conclusion was reached, he said, after an extensive investigation of moral conditions in more than a hundred private and state universities.

A mud-splattered automobile has led to a demand for a severance of relations with the adjoining city of Waltham. An altercation which started when a car owned by a well-known Waltham citizen, splashed mud and slush on the fender of two Western society leaders, has resulted in a unanimous vote by the Western citizens in town meeting assembled to petition the legislature to take Western out of the court jurisdiction of Waltham.

With a view to preventing damage and destruction to Maine roads during the spring season the Governor and council passed an order limiting the weight of loads drawn by motor and horse. The order provides that no commercial vehicle with a gross weight exceeding three tons shall be operated over any state highway during the period between March 23 and May 15, 1922, unless such way is surfaced with granite block pavement, brick pavement, cement concrete pavement, bituminous macadam and bituminous concrete.

BOY SCOUTS

(Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.)

PATROL UNIT IN SCOUTING

So frequently it is stated by scout executives in reply to the question why more churches in the community do not have Boy scout troops, that many of the churches are too small to have a troop, writes John M. Gore, Scout Executive, Knoxville, Tenn. They haven't enough boys of scout age. Is not such a reply based upon the conception of a troop of from 24 to 82 boys? True, there are many of the smaller churches which find it hard to muster that many boys above twelve years of age, and because of this some scout leaders consider such a church as lacking the opportunity for troop organization, many suggesting that several such churches combine and form a troop. The latter plan, however, seldom works out satisfactorily because the troop lacks the identity it should have in the church of which the boy is a member or with which he is identified.

The error in assuming that the church which cannot supply a sufficient number of boys to make up a full troop cannot organize for scouting is due in part at least to a failure to emphasize the patrol as the real unit of organization. A patrol of eight constitutes a large enough group to provide excellent opportunity for good scouting. In fact, the smaller number has particular advantages. There is more likelihood of success in securing a leader and more chances of an efficient program. There are men willing and competent to lead eight boys who are not willing and who are not competent to handle a larger number. With this point of view can there not be organized groups of boys in many churches where they are not now organized and where it has been thought impossible to organize them?

This leads us to declare that in other ways the patrol has not been adequately emphasized. A troop is no stronger than the patrols which compose it. The patrols offer excellent opportunities for grading within the troops. They afford the maximum opportunity for developing older boy leadership. The patrol leader is a very important factor in the management of a troop. We should be more concerned with his selection and provide special opportunities for his training. They are, as a rule, older boys. The cultivation and utilization of the patrol leader constitutes one of our largest opportunities for holding the older boy. The real appeal to the older boy is not along the line of selfishness through the proffer of privileges, but through the appeal to service. He is impressed by being given responsibilities. He loves to be a leader. Patrol leaders' conferences, patrol leaders' training courses, organization of prospective patrol leaders should receive much greater attention than they now receive. Here is a way, at least in part, to meet the older boy problem.

And further, has enough attention been given to the actual program of the patrol? Here is where we may learn much from our English scout friends. Baden-Powell is always referring to the patrol, its leadership and program. He seeks constantly to emphasize its work, to emphasize its program, to humanize its objectives, to declare its importance.

The patrol is the real unit of scouting. It brings the program of scouting close to the boy. As go the patrols so goes scouting. May we improve the quality of their program.

VARIOUS GOODS TURNS

Here are a few good turns reported from different sources all over the country: "Showered snow from the school house three times; took two blind ladies to doctor three times a week and supplied crippled boy with scout literature; found lost child; cleaned town of Mexican sanduiches; provided scout uniform for boy who had to give all his own earnings to support of mother and little sister; cleaned alleys, built sidewalk, removed debris after fire, dug ditches for draining, gave wood to poor widow."

ANNIVERSARY PLANS STARTING

Plans are going forward among local councils for the observance of the twelfth scout birthday, which will occur the week of February 8 to the 14. Various rallies and mass meetings will take place in the different scout centers throughout the country.

A LEGION TROOP

The Boy Scouts (L. I.) post is organizing a troop of boy scouts to be known as the Legion Troop. David G. Henderson will act as scoutmaster and Otto Holmgren as assistant.

HONOR DEAD IN BELLEAU WOOD

Boy scouts of Chateau Thierry formed a guard of honor while school girls from Belleau placed wreaths on the graves of the American unidentified dead Christmas day.



"Listen, son: Some folks call this 'Whittlin' tobacco old-fashioned, but they don't know where the honey is!"

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Rich, tasty tobacco that tastes better because it is better—and keeps better because it's better wrapped.



LIGGETT & MYERS TOBACCO CO.

EAST SUMMER

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Keene have returned from Portland, where they spent the winter with their daughter. They have purchased a bungalow with their daughter and husband in the Woodford section and will soon move there.

"Mrs. Ella Hend is on a trip to Washington, D. C.

Nearly two feet of snow fell in the recent storm.

David R. Cole remains about the same. He is not able to see anyone.

Carl Bonney has been sick but is improving.

Mrs. O. E. Turner is able to ride out after a long sickness.

Mrs. Abbie Berry is with her daughter, Mrs. Will Varney, of Turner.

Rev. Mr. Berkley was away over the week end.

Edward and Gladys Berkley are spending the Easter vacation with their parents here.

A. M. Longel and family are visiting relatives in Nova Scotia.

L. H. Poland and family are attending to the chores at the Longel home.

Elbridge Lombard has hired out for the season with W. L. Bryant.

Mrs. Clara Tucker is caring for Mrs. Herbert Spaulding at the home of her parents, where a 9-12 pound son arrived April 2.

Addison Lucas remains the same. He is in a helpless condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Byram are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Keene spent several days recently with Mr. and Mrs. George H. Braden.

NORTH NEWBY

Hattie Bennett, who has been spending a few days at her home here, has returned to Bethel.

Walter Brink and daughter, Ruth, have gone to Bethel to stay with Mr. Elmer Bean.

Mrs. Ella Hanscom and Mrs. Hattie Bennett were callers at W. B. Wight's one day last week.

Mr. Murray Edgar, who is taking charge of the pulp drive up Wight's Brook, for the American Realty Co., is stopping at W. B. Wight's.

School will begin at the Head of the Tide, Monday, Apr. 3. Miss Bunker of Franklin will teach and will board at W. B. Wight's.

Mary Robertson was at home over the week end.

Lee Vall plans to move his family to Sunday River, where he has employment.

LOOKER'S MILLS

Stanley Bartlett, who has been attending Idaho State University, returned home Thursday for a vacation.

Mrs. Lucy Bennett is at the C. M. G. Hospital, where she underwent a surgical operation, recently.

Mrs. Silas Kenniston was a Wednesday guest of Mrs. Robinson at Oxford.

Arthur Stowell was in Portland, Tuesday.

Mrs. Elmer Fiske and Mrs. R. D. Littlefield were in Norway, shopping, Thursday.

Owen Davis was in Bryant's Pond, Sunday.

Deanda Swan's family are quarantined for scarlet fever.

About twenty inches of snow fell Saturday.

SECURITY INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW HAVEN

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$493,926.81
Mortgage Loans	902,600.00
Collateral Loans	8,230.00
Stocks and Bonds	5,333,874.45
Cash in Office and Bank	424,232.29
Agents' Balances	643,345.40
Bills Receivable	127,559.38
Interest and Rents	70,877.50
All other Assets	73,255.18
Gross Assets	\$8,017,880.21

Deduct items not admitted, 232,697.02

Admitted Assets, \$7,785,183.19

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$733,310.81
Unearned Premiums	4,238,883.76
All other Liabilities	138,519.04
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,470,479.63
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$7,785,183.19

3-23-31—F

THE FRANKLIN FIRE INS. CO. OF PHILADELPHIA

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$123,770.05
Stocks and Bonds	6,434,850.00
Cash in Office and Bank	462,238.20
Agents' Balances	811,071.02
Interest and Rents	83,205.56
Gross Assets	\$8,641,741.53

Deduct items not admitted, \$6,941,741.53

Admitted Assets, \$1,700,000.00

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$697,074.00
Unearned Premiums	2,452,147.87
All other Liabilities	1,245,683.40
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,546,634.26
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$6,941,741.53

3-23-31—G

CALEDONIAN INSURANCE CO. OF EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Mortgage Loans	\$325,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	2,698,001.73
Cash in Office and Bank	146,207.07
Agents' Balances	513,523.25
Interest and Rents	29,060.30
All other Assets	5,930.08
Gross Assets	\$3,716,822.53

Deduct items not admitted, 40,353.57

Admitted Assets, \$3,676,478.96

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$277,680.72
Unearned Premiums	2,133,157.53
All other Liabilities	101,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,164,639.66
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$3,676,478.96

3-23-31—G

FIRE ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$604,532.86
Mortgage Loans	3,693,036.00
Collateral Loans	101,150.00
Stocks and Bonds	10,043,135.33
Cash in Office and Bank	864,723.39
Agents' Balances	1,505,348.30
Interest and Rents	214,145.38
All other Assets	50,833.51
Gross Assets	\$17,138,204.37

Deduct items not admitted, 617,182.18

Admitted Assets, \$16,521,022.19

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$1,497,625.76
Unearned Premiums	6,889,156.74
All other Liabilities	\$48,001.87
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	4,162,208.23
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$16,491,022.19

3-23-31—G

Cleaning a Photograph

To clean a photograph wipe with a soft cloth wrung out in warm water and a little ammonia and dry with another cloth.

FIREMEN'S INSURANCE CO., NEWARK, N. J.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Real Estate, \$1,066,190.34
Mortgage Loans, 1,894,950.00
Stocks and Bonds, 6,232,942.82
Cash in Office and Bank, 372,427.97
Agents' Balances, 841,301.54
Bills Receivable, 8,609.00
Interest and Rents, 55,082.79
All other Assets, 55,082.79

Admitted Assets, \$10,517,442.04
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,187,020.90
Unearned Premiums, 5,021,870.88
All other Liabilities, 238,180.40
Cash Capital, 1,230,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,840,571.06

Total Liabilities and

Surplus, \$10,517,442.04
Rumford Falls Ins. Co., Rumford, Me.
W. J. Wheeler & Co., South Paris, Me.
3-23-31-G

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Mortgage Loans, \$24,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 4,231,948.88
Cash in Office and Bank, 457,152.24
Agents' Balances, 1,302,698.14
Bills Receivable, 906.11
Interest and Rents, 55,740.25
All other Assets, 496,801.71

Gross Assets, \$6,058,947.33
Deduct items not admitted, 1,185,224.35
Admitted Assets, \$4,873,722.98
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,430,941.44
Unearned Premiums, 1,741,088.99
All other Liabilities, 270,837.72
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,065,859.83

Total Liabilities and

Surplus, \$4,873,722.98
Oxford Insurance Agency, Rumford, Me.
3-23-31-G

MINNESOTA IMPLEMENT MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO., OF OWATONNA, MINNESOTA

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Real Estate, \$32,739.09
Mortgage Loans, 788,187.18
Stocks and Bonds, 132,445.61
Cash in Office and Bank, 191,159.03
Agents' Balances, 170,794.82
Bills Receivable, 5,920.78
Interest and Rents, 32,013.98
All other Assets, 42,740.01

Gross Assets, \$1,399,007.33
Deduct items not admitted, 754.51
Admitted Assets, \$1,398,252.82
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, 499,406.61
Unearned Premiums, 753,680.14
All other Liabilities, 100,419.21
Surplus over all Liabilities, 141,076.86

Total Liabilities and

Surplus, \$1,398,252.82
Harry M. Stone
3-23-31-G

ALLIANCE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Stocks and Bonds, \$1,432,802.67
Cash in Office and Bank, 3,224.13
Agents' Balances, 86,235.07
Bills Receivable, 122.82
Interest and Rents, 24,765.59
All other Assets, 68,415.24

Gross Assets, \$1,616,255.42
Deduct items not admitted, 156,509.38
Admitted Assets, \$1,459,746.04
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, 453,834.00
Unearned Premiums, 286,092.14
All other Liabilities, 70,541.71
Cash Capital, 200,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 368,768.19

Total Liabilities and

Surplus, \$1,459,746.04
Alfred E. Jones, Rumford, Me.
doing business as the Home Agency
3-23-31-G

UNITED STATE CASUALTY COMPANY, PANY,

80 Maiden Lane, New York, N. Y.
Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Real Estate, \$250.00
Mortgage Loans, 291,200.00
Stocks and Bonds, 6,193,926.99
Cash in Office and Bank, 399,839.92
Agents' Balances, 729.17
Premiums in course of collection, 877,090.36
Interest and Rents, 69,739.70
All other Assets, 109,489.87

Gross Assets, \$8,039,244.99
Deduct items not admitted, 670,151.13
Admitted Assets, \$7,369,093.85
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,661,042.13
Unearned Premiums, 2,823,290.14
All other Liabilities, 687,678.09
Cash Capital, 500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,010,937.49

Total Liabilities and

Surplus, \$7,369,093.85
3-23-31-G

THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Real Estate, \$7,500,617.76
Mortgage Loans, 53,701,919.43
Collateral Loans, 58,809.00
Stocks and Bonds, 115,189,494.35
Cash in Office and Bank, 6,996,839.09
Agents' Balances, 259,239.73
Bills Receivable, 3,184,477.54
Interest and Rents, 32,011,108.43
All other Assets, 32,011,108.43

Gross Assets, \$220,081,085.36
Deduct items not admitted, 1,035,404.12
Admitted Assets, \$219,045,681.24
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,322,555.39
Unearned Premiums, 111,052.99
All other Liabilities, 199,882,768.45
Cash Capital, 7,500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 16,188,905.41

Total Liabilities and

Surplus, \$219,045,681.24
3-23-31-G

THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Real Estate, \$7,500,617.76
Mortgage Loans, 53,701,919.43
Collateral Loans, 58,809.00
Stocks and Bonds, 115,189,494.35
Cash in Office and Bank, 6,996,839.09
Agents' Balances, 259,239.73
Bills Receivable, 3,184,477.54
Interest and Rents, 32,011,108.43
All other Assets, 32,011,108.43

Gross Assets, \$220,081,085.36
Deduct items not admitted, 1,035,404.12
Admitted Assets, \$219,045,681.24
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,322,555.39
Unearned Premiums, 111,052.99
All other Liabilities, 199,882,768.45
Cash Capital, 7,500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 16,188,905.41

Total Liabilities and

Surplus, \$219,045,681.24
3-23-31-G



THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONN.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Mortgage Loans, \$309,999.97
Stocks and Bonds, 6,971,331.50
Cash in Office and Bank, 297,551.36
Interest and Rents, 92,393.98
All other Assets, \$1,107,423.55

Gross Assets, \$8,229,200.00
Deduct items not admitted, 88,895.12
Admitted Assets, \$8,140,304.88
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, \$803,646.36
Unearned Premiums, 4,995,979.34
Additional Reserves guaranteed, renewable accident and health policies, 4,449.24
All other Liabilities, 1,500,000.00
Cash Capital, 1,035,031.24

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$8,790,305.84
3-23-31-G

NORTH AMERICAN ACCIDENT INSURANCE CO., CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Mortgage Loans, \$286,865.43
Collateral Loans, 1,200.00
Stocks and Bonds, 636,961.05
Cash in Office and Bank, 91,410.71
Agents' Balances, 137,760.34
Bills Receivable, 29,921.03
Interest and Rents, 16,301.06

Gross Assets, \$1,195,226.22
Deduct items not admitted, 95,360.24
Admitted Assets, \$1,099,865.98
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, \$157,321.06
Unearned Premiums, 477,545.40
All other Liabilities, 200,000.00
Cash Capital, 176,127.61

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,099,865.98
3-23-31-G

THE HOME INSURANCE COMPANY, ELBRIDGE G. SNOW, President

Wilfred Kurth, Secretary
Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Stocks and Bonds, \$63,014,979.57
Cash in Office and Bank, 4,890,474.55
Agents' Balances, 5,926,852.58
Interest and Rents, 694,806.00
All other Assets, 804,179.00

Gross Assets, \$75,931,551.68
Deduct items not admitted, 47,931,551.68
Admitted Assets, \$28,000,000.00
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, 86,625,127.33
Unearned Premiums, 34,250,730.00
All other Liabilities, 2,091,475.14
Cash Capital, 12,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 20,064,168.31

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$75,931,551.68
3-23-31-G

HARTFORD LIVE STOCK INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW YORK

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Stocks and Bonds, \$719,595.23
Cash in Office and Bank, 270,540.45
Agents' Balances, 287,016.59
Interest and Rents, 8,734.64
All other Assets, 125,748.73

Gross Assets, \$1,411,135.63
Deduct items not admitted, 36,974.96
Admitted Assets, \$1,374,160.67
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, \$42,654.00
Unearned Premiums, 375,932.33
All other Liabilities, 62,501.85
Cash Capital, 600,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 395,071.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,374,160.67
S. W. Goodwin, Agent, Norway, Me.
3-23-31-G

GENERAL ACCIDENT, FIRE & LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Real Estate, \$343,378.34
Stocks and Bonds, 5,927,138.42
Cash in Office and Bank, 352,453.06
Agents' Balances, 1,535,037.27
Bills Receivable, 185,842.51
Interest and Rents, 80,432.67

Gross Assets, \$8,669,282.25
Deduct items not admitted, 637,178.97
Admitted Assets, \$8,032,103.28
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, \$4,082,305.18
Unearned Premiums, 3,137,495.09
All other Liabilities, 751,492.23
Cash Capital, 250,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 907,801.87

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$8,162,103.28
3-23-31-G

LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL CASUALTY COMPANY, CHICAGO, ILL.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Mortgage Loans, \$50,100.00
Stocks and Bonds, 1,107,270.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 81,231.38
Agents' Balances, 323,619.40
Interest and Rents, 15,456.43
All other Assets, 1,085.00

Gross Assets, \$1,566,042.21
Deduct items not admitted, 10,147.18
Admitted Assets, \$1,555,895.03
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Net Unpaid Losses, \$808,806.74
Unearned Premiums, 636,479.14
All other Liabilities, 71,446.32
Surplus over all Liabilities, 356,268.03

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,555,895.03
3-16-31-F

WEST PARIS

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Merrill have been guests of her father, Augustus Bacon, and other relatives. Mr. Merrill is a student at Westbrook Seminary, and will enter Tufts College Divinity School to study for the Universalist ministry. He preached at Kingfield last Sunday in the absence of the pastor.

Mrs. S. J. Caldwell went to Norway, Friday to visit her sister, Mrs. Fannie Dingsmore.

The Junior Christian Endeavors of the Federated Church had an entertainment at Centennial Hall, Friday evening.

Mrs. Will Pratt went to the Central Maine General Hospital, Friday for a surgical operation.

Miss Dorothy "Wardwell" is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Irish, during the school vacation.

Miss Ethel Flavin has returned to Farmington Normal School.

Howard Emery was at home from Bowdoin College during the college recess.

Mrs. C. E. Stearns and daughters, Ellen and Ruth, were guests last week of her sister, Mrs. Jarvis Thayer, at Waterville.

Dr. W. E. Webber of Lewiston was at Dr. Wheeler's one day last week and went to North Paris to perform a surgical operation upon Mrs. H. D. McAllister.

Mrs. C. H. Lane, Jr., and daughter, Margaret, spent last week in Portland, guests of Mrs. Lane's sister, Mrs. Robert Cleaves, Jr.

Edward Penley was at home last week from Hebron Academy.

The annual meeting of the Universalist parish was held Tuesday evening of last week, and officers elected as follows:

Moderator—H. H. Wardwell
Clerk—Abner Mann
Treas.—F. R. Penley
Collector—Harold Perham

Honorary Trustees—L. C. Bates
Trustees—Edwin J. Mann, E. D. Stillwell, C. F. Barden
Chorister—Alice Barden

Rev. H. A. Markley, who has been pastor here since Rev. D. A. Ball resigned, was not given a majority vote by the members of the parish present to return, and as his term expired April 1st the family went to their farm in Turner, Friday morning, but on account of traveling will not move their household goods at present. As the time was so short, no attempt was made to give them a farewell reception, but their friends conceived the happy idea of escorting them to the station, where the platform was full. The executive board was represented by H. H. Wardwell, F. R. Penley and Edwin J. Mann, who presented Mr. and Mrs. Markley with a handsome sum of money, with a list of names representing nearly one hundred donors, and a letter of which the following is a copy:

West Paris, March 31, 1922.
Mr. and Mrs. Markley—Dear Friends:

We, representative families and members of the Universalist church, parish and Sunday School, neighbors and friends, desire to express to you our deep appreciation of your work here, and our heartfelt grief at the situation which has caused you to remove from our midst. There are so many good things we would be glad to say, so many words of approval spoken by the community at large, that we would be glad to convey some of them to you, when at this time you seem to be in something like the position of the Man of Galilee, persecuted but not forsaken.

We recognize your labors for the church and its auxiliaries, but more fully do we recognize the splendid broadminded Christian spirit which has enabled you to live among us during these years and never cause us to be ashamed. In this hour of trial and disaster, your kindly affiliations with our sister church in this village, which enables both pastor and people to express regret at your removal, are certainly cheering and helpful. The reports from the different lodges and orders of fraternal greetings, kindness and interest which has made you a valued member, is another evidence. The active service for the Red Cross and work with Boy Scouts, both local and county, are things which remain in the hearts of the boys and interest parents. The good citizenship which has prompted you to participate in the interests of the schools, Chamber of Commerce and village corporation, are things to remember with pleasure.

But most of all do we recognize with pardonable pride the words of praise spoken by the community, much of it rehearsed in the business places of the town and by loafers on the streets—not of great things to be seen of men and published in the newspapers, but of quiet ministrations among the poor and needy, of rightly willed among the sick, and of visits to the aged, the afflicted and shut-ins, and of the affection in which you are held by the little children of the town.

We deeply appreciate the unsolicited funds tendered us from citizens not of our church nor attendance there, to more largely finance the gift which we are making you, not only to express our affection for you, but that you may have something in remembrance of us.

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of the most enjoyable social affairs of the season. The music was furnished by the Flint-Saunders orchestra for a large number of dancers. The large number of High School students present added much to the gaiety of the party.

GROVE HILL DEFERRED

Karl Stearns accompanied his sister, Miss Gwendolyn Stearns, to Portland, Saturday, on her return to Bridgewater, Mass., after a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Stearns.

James Uhlman has finished teaming and is at home.

True Brown was at home, Sunday.

Mrs. Florence Dean from Albany is with her father, Shirley Hazelton, who suffered a shock recently.

John Hazelton and Ida M. Hazelton are also assisting in the care of Mr. Hazelton.

Hubert York from Bethel is doing chores at Mrs. A. B. Grover's, as Samuel Grover was obliged to return home to assist about the work.

Mrs. Lizzie York and daughter, Priscilla, from Bethel were guests of Mrs. Edith Grover, Tuesday.

Mrs. Almon Tyler was quite ill, Monday.

Raymond Tyler will not submit to an operation on his throat until the inflammation subsides. He returned home Friday evening by Thaxter Littlefield, a sophomore of Norway High School, who and Henry Trimback proved to be one took him there for examination.

NORWAY

Miss Edith M. Knight spent her vacation at her home in Richmond.

Fred Clark of Bethel was a business visitor in town, Wednesday.

Miss Doris Merrill is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Frank Davis, in South Woodstock.

Arthur Descoteau was home from Bates College last week.

An indoor rifle range has been completed at the armory of Company C, with the regulation army rifles fitted with 22 calibre ammunition to use in range work.

A delegation of young men from the Bates College Y. M. C. A. will be in attendance at the Methodist church on Palm Sunday to assist in the services. They will have full charge of the evening service.

Albert Descoteau has gone to Rumford where he will remain for several weeks.

Miss Marian Gibson was in Lewiston last Tuesday.

The Browning Club met Monday evening with Mrs. Alice Danforth. Magazine articles on Japan were read by Mrs. Blanche Tubbs and Mrs. Eva Kimball. A very pleasant evening was enjoyed.

Prof. V. M. Whitman of Laconia, N. H., spent his vacation as the guest of his father, Judge O. F. Whitman.

Envelopes from 6 cents to 20 cents per bunch, and paper from 10 cents to 65 cents per pound at the Citizen Office.

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The boy likes to be clothed as well as the father. There has been great changes in the styles and manufacturing of boys clothes. Just as good now as the men's and fully guaranteed satisfaction. Two pair of pants double the wear of the suit.

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All these splendid makes found at our stores.

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Which gives to the entire store the Fresh,
Inviting Look of the New Season

SMART SPRING SUITS

It's of decided interest to know that the prices of Suits are a great deal less than for many seasons. The materials, styles and colors are also better than for many seasons. As to the styles, we might add that you will get a better idea if you come in and see them yourself.

TRICOTINE SUITS, navy blue, several very smart styles, tailored, semi-tailored and beautifully trimmed suits.

\$22.50, \$24.75, \$27.50, \$34.75, \$42.50, \$48.50.

THE POPULAR TWEED SUITS

Just the suits for all around wear. Every accepted style is represented in all the new Spring shades.

Tweed Suits \$14.95, \$16.50, \$19.75, \$24.75.

NEW KNICKER SUITS

for women and misses, all who enjoy the great big out of doors will find plenty of uses for these smart suits. They come in fine woolen tweeds in mannish styles.

Knickers Suits, with knickers, skirt and coat, \$21.50 and \$22.50.

Separate Knickers of tweeds and corduroy, \$4.95, \$5.95, \$9.95.

Attractive New Coats

There are all styles for women of every taste and desire, for women in every walk of life, and even the thriftiest of women will be delighted with the new materials and the decidedly lower prices over those of past seasons.

Coats are fashioned of imported and domestic tweeds, polo mixtures and a good variety of soft, fleecy fabrics. Raglan and set in sleeves, big pockets, and all the good looking details.

Coats, \$12.50, 14.95, 16.50, 19.75, 24.75

Fascinating Silk Dresses

DRESSES that bespeak the fashion's trend for Spring and Summer, the new lines, the novel sleeves, the new trimmings, the splendid tailoring, fit, finish and unusual style touches will appeal to you.

We want you to see these new dresses whether in need or not.

Dresses of Krepe Knit, Canton Crepe, Crepe-de-chine, Taffeta and Crepe Juliet, about fifty dresses to select from, hardly two alike. Dresses Priced \$19.75, \$24.75, \$27.50, \$32.50, \$37.50, \$39.75.

NEW TAILORED WAISTS

They adapt themselves splendidly to suit and sport requirements.

\$2.45, \$2.95, \$3.45

Made of Voiles and Dimity, collars of many styles, but the most noticeable is the Bramley style, turn back cuffs; some have pleated frilling, some have collar and cuffs with pipings of fine gingham, others with collar and cuffs with hand embroidery.

Pongee Waists, several styles, excellent value, \$2.95.

GIRLS' NEW HATS

You will find it is not the easiest thing to select a becoming hat for a growing girl. Whether we have been able to sense the better styles or not, we don't know, but we do know that Mothers tell us they are able to find just the style hat for their daughter that seems to please both mother and daughter.

Girls' Hats \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.95, \$2.50, \$2.95, \$3.95.

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NORWAY, MAINE

SOUTH PARIS
Mrs. Charles Gowell was in Lewiston, recently.
Spencer Flint is the guest of relatives in Massachusetts.
Prof. B. J. Lawson of Mexico was a recent guest of town.
Frank McGinley was home from Bates College last week.
The Juniors of the Congregational church will hold a food sale at N. Dayton Hotel Co.'s store, Friday afternoon, April 7, at 3 o'clock.
Edwin P. Hulse, Wendell E. Stanley and Harlan E. Washburn have enlisted in Company C, Norway.
Miss Helen M. Barnes has been a recent guest of Mrs. Roy E. Cole and family in Chelsea, Mass.
Miss Lyndell Churchill, who is attending Farmington Normal School, spent last week at her home in town.
R. H. Lovejoy attended Farmers' Week at Orono last week.
The Baptist Women's Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. L. C. Morton, Thursday afternoon, April 6.
W. B. Highland, who underwent an operation for hernia at the C. M. G.

Hospital last Wednesday, is gaining.
Mrs. Fred Caswell and two daughters were guests of relatives and friends in Bethel a few days last week.
Mrs. E. W. Cummings and daughter spent last week in Portland.
The Optimistic Class will meet Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Forbes on Porter street.
Hapt. of Schools, A. B. Garsenon has recently been chosen a member of the legislative committee of the Maine Teachers' Association.
The schools opened Monday morning for the spring term of ten weeks.
Miss Nellie L. Whitman, who was for thirty-seven years a teacher at Hebron Academy, was one of the speakers at the Hebron Academy alumni banquet at the Palmetto Hotel in Portland, Friday evening, and at the close of her remarks was presented with a bouquet of flowers.

DENMARK

Biday Butterfield of Hiram, who has been stopping at John Kenner's this winter, died very suddenly last Wednesday afternoon. Burial was at Hiram.

ram, Saturday afternoon.
We had the heaviest snow fall for the winter Friday night and Saturday with nearly 3 feet of snow.
Little Edna Richardson, who has been stopping with Mrs. Faldo Tripp, died Friday. Funeral services were held at I. O. O. F. Hall, Sunday afternoon.
Miss Nicholson of the Farm Bureau was here Thursday, Mar. 30, and held a meeting and organized the ladies branch of the Farm Bureau work.
Mrs. Ella F. Blake and daughter, Evelyn, have been confined to the house for a few days with a bad sore throat.
The Junior High School opens next Tuesday after having a month vacation.
John and Francis Berry are home on a vacation from Bridgton Academy.
Mrs. Emma Copp of Cornish was in the place Monday to see her sister, Mrs. William Allen, who is sick.
Waldo Tripp is moving onto the K. Davis place this week.
Charlton Richardson and his wife of Fryeburg are visiting his mother, Mrs. Eliza Richardson, for a short time.

HOW

RAIN BECOMES CHANGED INTO "SNOW," AND HAIL. —Why should rain become snow in cold weather? And why should it fall, sometimes even in summer, in the form of drops which we call hail?

The air, strange as it may seem, is not warmed by the sun's rays as they pass through it; all its warmth comes from heat given out by the earth itself.

In summer time this warmth is usually sufficient to keep the vapor of which the clouds are formed from freezing. But in winter, when the earth has little heat to give off, the air becomes colder. The vapor of the great clouds is frozen into fleecy flakes, which descend upon the earth in the form of snow. Snow, then, is simply frozen vapor.

Hail—drops of water coagulated into lumps of ice—is formed in a wonderful way. A great cloud, floating in the sky, meets an upward draught of air and begins to rise rapidly. In most cases such a cloud would soon be turned to snow, for the higher you go the greater becomes the cold. If this happened in summer time the falling snow would be melted into fine rain by passing through warm air on its way to the earth.

But sometimes the cloud as it rises meets a blast of warm air which carries it to a great height, and then makes its vapor condense into raindrops. These drops begin to fall, and when they have fallen a little way they strike intensely cold air, which freezes them solid. Owing to their weight they fall so rapidly that there is not time for them to thaw as they pass through the warmer air near the ground. Hence they reach the earth in the form of little balls of ice.

DON'T TAKE ENOUGH EXERCISE

Why Majority of Middle-Aged Men Take on Fat During the Months of Winter.

Winter brings added terrors to middle-aged fat men, for that is the season they get fatter. Each week they note with dismay the reappearance of the surplus adipose lost with so much trouble and labor during the last summer.

Exercise is most difficult to obtain in the winter, especially for the business man. The shorter days make it necessary for him to leave home soon after daylight, and it is dark when he returns. The opportunities for outdoor recreation are virtually withdrawn except at week ends. Winter is the season of sedentary life and there is little inducement to get out of doors, even should the daylight hours be available. So the fat man gets fatter and fatter as the cold days arrive.

But the fat man has a way out if he has sufficient determination, say physical culture experts. His relief lies in the gymnasium if he will force himself to take advantage of it. But a fat man is generally lazy, too, and it takes not a little courage to get him to stick to a course throughout the winter that will maintain his weight at the minimum of the summer.—New York Sun.

Why Dust is Beneficial.
As an aid to agriculture, a judicious compounding of wind and dust have been found most beneficial, observes the Detroit Free Press. In northern China are deposits of fine yellow powder, brought by the winds from the desert regions, several hundred feet in thickness, which have been filled, without fertilization, for thousands of years, and to all intents and purposes they are as fertile today as ever. Volcanic dust is found in Kansas and Nebraska today, and in some places the deposits are as much as thirty feet in thickness. There have never been volcanoes within hundreds of miles of these deposits, and the wind was either the culprit or benefactor.

Wind and dust do not confine their pranks to the heights, but play many a fantastic trick beneath the earth's surface and in mines increase the inflammability and assist the explosion of gases which otherwise would be harmless.

Why Called "Missouri Compromise."
The Missouri compromise is the name popularly given to an act of the United States congress, passed February 27, 1821, admitting Missouri into the Union as a slave-holding state, but expressly declaring that slavery should thenceforth be prohibited in any state lying north of latitude 36 degrees 30 minutes—the southern boundary of Missouri. Although Henry Clay was one of the most prominent supporters of this measure, it originated, not with him, but with John W. Taylor of New York.

How He Would Tax Tips.
According to the Nation's Business, tips are attracting the attention of the collectors of income tax in England, and there is a fine flurry. Some wag has suggested that the income tax should be collected on tips "at the source." Every traveler and every person who goes out for dinner would thereupon have to carry a full equipment of blanks and the preparation of forms would become an important part of the usual ceremonies with porters and waiters.

THE AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE CO. OF HARTFORD, CONN.

650 Main Street, Hartford, Conn.
Assets Dec. 31, 1921:
Mortgage Loans, \$804,800.00
Collateral Loans, 589,750.00
Stocks and Bonds, 5,576,822.40
Cash in Office and Bank, 2,354,480.01
Agents' Balances, 2,187,106.82
Bills Receivable, 9,075.74
Interest and Rents, 86,387.81
All other Assets, 797,763.52

Gross Assets, \$12,205,685.30
Deduct items, not admitted, 235,183.17

Admitted Assets, \$11,970,502.13
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921:
Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,994,902.33
Unearned Premiums, 5,609,568.38
All other Liabilities, 455,992.11
Cash Capital, 2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,849,949.31

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$11,970,502.13
Bartlett, Walter E., Bethel
McCarthy, Matthew, Rumford
Merrill & Hastings, Fryeburg
Rumford Falls Ins. Agency, Rumford
Stetson, Elisha L., Main St., Dixfield
Wheeler & Co., W. J., South Paris
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BRYANT'S POND

Percy J. Bowker, who is employed by the Brown Co., has been visiting a few days with his father, James L. Bowker. He left Tuesday for a short stay in Boston and Wakefield, Mass.

The James W. Powers house just below the village is being repaired and put in shape as a summer house by the owner.

Mrs. Katie Francis lately of Lynn, Mass., is living for the present in this village with a sister.

The ladies of the Universalist Society are arranging for a fair to be held at some date in May.

The old P. O. building was moved Tuesday to a lot at the lower end of the village. In recent years it has been occupied by the central telephone office. It was purchased by O. P. Thurston and is to be fitted up for a dwelling. The telephone central is being moved this week to the home of Mrs. Pearl Muller.

A crew from the Grand Trunk repair department have been laying a cement floor in the boiler room of the pumping station.

Almon S. Bisbee, executive secretary of the United Americans, has recently been selected as director of the Westbrook Seminary drive. Mr. Bisbee is a Woodstock boy who is called now one of the busiest men in the city of Portland.

Geo. W. Stenning, Jr., who was badly injured several days ago, is still in the Maine General Hospital.

Express Dragon Flies.

When we come to birds, we find many very high species. Swifts have been known to overtake an airplane in flight. Their speed has been calculated to exceed one hundred miles an hour sometimes. The racing pigeon has on several occasions done short journeys at sixty miles an hour. The golden plover is very speedy, but his turning, twisting flight makes it difficult to time him accurately over any distance. The pheasant, though he does not look a very rapid flier, can do 45 miles an hour.

Among insects, the most rapid is probably the dragon-fly, who does as much as 30 miles an hour in his swift dashes from place to place. The bee is capable of traveling at a speed of 20 miles an hour, and he achieves it by beating his wings more than 600 times a second—sixty beats for every yard he travels.

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DIRECTIONS

For windows, mirrors and glassware, moisten Pad in water and rub on article—if Pad becomes dry, moisten again. Rub off very lightly with a dry cloth—it is not necessary to wait until it is dry.
For silver and other metals, polish with Auto Pad and wipe off briskly with dry cloth.
Is a Pad prepared for cleaning and polishing windows, tableware, glassware, gold silver, and all kinds of metals.
It replaces all polishes, powders, pastes and liquids at a fraction of their cost and produces a brilliant polish. It will polish as well when discolored by use as when new, and can be used until worn out. It is Always Ready and Does the Work Quickly. Ask Your Dealer

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There are a lot of places offering to give your battery a fresh start in life by putting "dope" in it.

As a matter of fact there isn't any kind of dope made that will take the place of recharging and proper care.

If your battery does really need acid it is far cheaper and safer to come to Battery Headquarters to have it put in. Whether your battery is a Willard or not, bring it to us—it can be done at a saving to you, we'll set it on its feet in the quickest possible time.

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Call and see the RUBEROID SHINGLES

Absolutely warranted not to curl and a reliable company to back it up.

I shall receive a large car about Apr. 10th and on its arrival I shall have a large stock of

Roll Roofings

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I also carry my usual supply of doors, windows and mouldings, nails, locks and butts, also

Cedar Shingles

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The FAT man
happiest spot in
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IN THE FAT MAN'S CORNER

The FAT MAN has promised the Editor that he will make this corner the brightest and happiest spot in the whole paper. The FAT MAN is glad to have his readers send him bits of humor, limericks and clever paragraphs—those things that put everyone in high, good humor and leave one all chuckling inside. The newer, the better, and he will pay at the rate of one dollar a piece for them when suitable for his corner. Unusable contributions will not be returned unless accompanied by addressed stamped envelope. The FAT MAN, Editorial Dept., National Pictorial News, Washington, D. C.

"You're a genius! Ever had to work on an empty stomach?"

"My dear, I'm a sculptor, not a tattoo artist."—London Mail.

"Madam, since you are looking at things for your living room and for your boudoir, could I show you one of our new esotericities?"

"Thank you, no. There's nobody at our house could play on it anyway."—Retail Ledger.

"Here's a story in the paper of a woman who used a phone for the first time in 83 years."

"She must be on a party line."—Notre Dame Juggler.

"How's your cold, old top?"

"Obstinate."

"How's your wife?"

"About the same."

"—Portland Express.

Inate Motorist: "Say, this blamed car won't climb a hill you said it was a fine machine."

Dealer: "I said: on the level it's a good car."—Science and Invention.

"Your honor, I was not intoxicated."

"But this officer says you were trying to climb a lamp post."

"I was, your honor. A couple of eerie crocodiles had been following me around all day, and I don't mind telling you that they were getting on my nerves."—Birmingham Age Herald.

"When Mr. Casey died he left all he had to the orphan asylum."

"Indeed! That was nice of him. What did he leave?"

"His twelve children."—Exchange.

"Are skirts worn longer, do you think?"

"My wife doesn't wear them any longer—she gets a new one every two weeks."—Town Topics.

HANOVER

Mrs. Martha Bartlett returned home Saturday from Follers, Fla., where she spent the winter.

Mrs. Anna Stearns is visiting at the home of L. A. Roberts.

Mrs. George Hodgdon, who is 94 years of age, fell last week and broke her hip.

The biggest snow storm of the winter came the night of March 31 and April 1. There was about seventeen inches.

The remains of Arthur Brown were brought here Friday from Pepperell, Mass. The funeral was at his son, Ira's home, Saturday, Rev. Mr. Little of Bethel speaking words of comfort to the bereaved family.

Arthur Brown, Jr., was in town last week to attend the funeral of his father.

Chester Cummings is foreman in Saunders Bros. mill.

DAY OF GAYETY IN SICILY

At Festival Time the People give Themselves Up to All Forms of Amusement.

Booths and barrows lined the streets selling fireworks and drinks, torrons made of new almonds and honey, knives and ribbons; and alternating with the merchandise and drinks were the gambling tables. There were a dozen roulette tables, silver horses whirling around over the numbered counters where you put your coin, and bright arrows with painted feathers that stopped whirling sooner or later and left a light up resting on the lucky number. Crowds of people were putting their money down, mostly little boys, it seemed, writes Stark Young in the North American Review. The rockets were firing from every direction, with reports like bombs, unbelievably loud, to appease the Sicilian liking for mere noise. Now and then fireworks in bunches were thrown from the roofs of the churches into the little stone streets, with a rattling and detonation like a bombardment. Beside the Duomo the band from Syracuse was playing airs from the opera. Meantime the deep blue of the early night had fallen over the walls and over the country dropping down toward the sea and rising on the other hand toward the Sarnen castle above the town. A few pale stars were out and a slender moon, almost past, was shining. The whole piazza was sweet with the perfume of the jessamine that ran along the front of the house next the church, incredible sweetness in that soft, blue air. And everywhere were the voices, deep and bright.

Uncle Walt's Story

THE FIRST TIME

"I CONFESS that the thought of death always raises gooseflesh on me," said the melancholy boarder. "The only comfort is that a man dies but once."

"That's what makes it so unpleasant," observed the star boarder. "If a man died at regular intervals, say once a year, he'd soon get used to it, and regard it as part of the day's work."

A man dies and that's the end of him, so far as this world is concerned. He has no chance to come back and hore his friends with a long story about it. If he had that chance it would make a great difference. The ordinary citizen will understand anything, if he can sit around and talk about it afterward.

"The first time we are up against anything disagreeable always is the worst. We can get used to anything, and enjoy anything, if we have enough of it. We are born optimists, my dear Mrs. Jiggers, always looking around for a grain of comfort, and manufacturing one if there is none in sight."

"I'll never forget the first time I went to see the dentist on professional business. I had been entertaining a rip-roaring toothache for several days. The agony was so great that it would take the pen of a Dante to do justice to it. Yet I couldn't muster up enough courage to go to the dentist's. I had heard so many stories of the atrocious suffering one undergoes at his hands that my warlike spirit faltered. But finally the man who occupied the room next to mine came to my apartment, armed with a large iron poker, and said that I had kept him awake for three nights, and the limit had been reached. If I didn't chase myself out of the house and let him have a night's rest he would proceed to make a few dents in my skull."

"Thus turned adrift into the tempest, the first man I met was a dentist, and he simply forced me to his parlor. He was a friend of the family and wouldn't take 'no' for an answer."

"He had to carry me up the stairway to his office. I had become so weak in the legs. I supposed he would read me limb from limb, but he really was a painless dentist. In three or, perhaps, four shakes he was holding before my eyes the tooth which had caused all the anguish, and I was enjoying solid comfort once more."

"Since that experience I look upon the modern dentist as a public benefactor, and my one regret is that I can't drop into his office every day or two and have a few teeth pulled. But all my original teeth were extracted by the painless process long ago, and the ligament vitae teeth I am now wearing are strangers to aches and pains."

"The first time a man is married he is so excited that he forgets the wedding ring or the fee for the preacher, or some other essential. For days before the event he is in such a fever that his friends have trouble holding him down; and when at last the fateful hour arrives he doesn't seem like a responsible human being. I always feel sorry for a young bridegroom, he looks so rattled, and he has such a strong resemblance to a total loss."

"But the next time he gets married he is as cool and intrepid as though he made a practice of acquiring a bride before tea every day, and if he goes to the altar three or four times in the course of his useful career, marriage seems to him no more interesting than receiving an automobile catalogue by mail."

"And this is true of everything, Mrs. Jiggers. A man even gets used to a family boarding house, where collections are made strictly in advance, and, this being admitted, no further argument is necessary."

Birthday.

Little Robert D. two and one-half years old, of Franklin, has a ten-year-old cousin, Gordon, who to his baby mind, is the hero in all that takes place, and whatever Gordon says or does is all right. Robert's mother had been telling him about Christmas, and why it was celebrated.

One evening after a strenuous day of play with the big cousin, when mother put Robert to bed, she said: "And why do we have Christmas, Robert? Whose birthday is it?"

"Santa and Gordie's," promptly replied the youngster. — Indianapolis News.

Ring Repartee.

"Ah shush does pity you," said a colored pugilist to his opponent as they squared off. "Ah was born with boxes 'er gloves on."

"Maybe you was," retorted the other. "And Ah reckons you're going to die de same way."

Pretty Raw.

Waiter—Was the dinner cooked to suit you, sir?

Diner—Yes, all but the bill. Just take that back and boil it down a little.

CHARACTER MUST BE MOLDED

Superlative Formation of the Mind Can Never Be a Matter of Spontaneous Growth.

What man wins with, if he wins at all, is character, and character is no spontaneous growth. It does not spring full-blown into the fight against moral or spiritual foes. As it can be won, it can also be lost—lost merely through inaction, slothfulness, and failure to cultivate it. Here again the philosophers speak with much clearness. "He that wrestles with us," said Burke, "strengthens our nerves and sharpens our skill. Our antagonist is our helper."

"Difficulties," said another great man, "are things that show what men are." Another one speaks of "the muscular training of a philosopher," which, he says, results in: "A will undisciplined; evils avoided; powers daily exercised; careful resolutions; unerring decisions."

"The art of living," as seen by Marcus Aurelius, "is more like wrestling than dancing, in so far as it stands ready against the accidental and the unforeseen, and is not apt to fall."

No good or bad at all once. Goodness or badness is the result of a process, and in the former case the process may be, and usually is, arduous. The apostle is in agreement with the philosophers, with whom indeed he has much in common: "So run that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air; but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection; lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." Through it all runs the note of effort and struggle, and in it there is a warning against one of the most demoralizing and enfeebling of faults—which is slackness. The object which all these teachers had in mind was so great that it would take the pen of a Dante to do justice to it. Yet I couldn't muster up enough courage to go to the dentist's. I had heard so many stories of the atrocious suffering one undergoes at his hands that my warlike spirit faltered. But finally the man who occupied the room next to mine came to my apartment, armed with a large iron poker, and said that I had kept him awake for three nights, and the limit had been reached. If I didn't chase myself out of the house and let him have a night's rest he would proceed to make a few dents in my skull.

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"The first time a man is married he is so excited that he forgets the wedding ring or the fee for the preacher, or some other essential. For days before the event he is in such a fever that his friends have trouble holding him down; and when at last the fateful hour arrives he doesn't seem like a responsible human being. I always feel sorry for a young bridegroom, he looks so rattled, and he has such a strong resemblance to a total loss."

"But the next time he gets married he is as cool and intrepid as though he made a practice of acquiring a bride before tea every day, and if he goes to the altar three or four times in the course of his useful career, marriage seems to him no more interesting than receiving an automobile catalogue by mail."

"And this is true of everything, Mrs. Jiggers. A man even gets used to a family boarding house, where collections are made strictly in advance, and, this being admitted, no further argument is necessary."

Birthday.

Little Robert D. two and one-half years old, of Franklin, has a ten-year-old cousin, Gordon, who to his baby mind, is the hero in all that takes place, and whatever Gordon says or does is all right. Robert's mother had been telling him about Christmas, and why it was celebrated.

One evening after a strenuous day of play with the big cousin, when mother put Robert to bed, she said: "And why do we have Christmas, Robert? Whose birthday is it?"

"Santa and Gordie's," promptly replied the youngster. — Indianapolis News.

Arab Robin Hood.

Al Ikbal, an Arabic newspaper, reports the escape from Ceylon, whither he was expelled by the British government from Mesopotamia, of the notorious Gayd Taleb claimant to the throne of Irak, and known from Basra to Bagdad as the Arab Robin Hood. He is stated to be seeking a refuge in the country of Ibn Saud, the sultan of Nejd, who, according to Moslem law, will be compelled to offer him hospitality. No news of Taleb's escape, however, has reached official circles in London, where it is declared that Ibn Saud, who is in receipt of a subsidy of 100,000 a year from the British government, will doubtless inform the high commissioner of Mesopotamia of the arrival of his unwelcome guest. Sayid Taleb attempted to influence the recent royal election in Mesopotamia in his favor by corruption and bribery, and he was about to declare war on the British government with a handful of followers when he was expelled.

A False Start.

It was the seventeenth round. The two pugilists looked like drowned rats. The referee held up his hand.

"Them last rounds don't count!" he announced, hoarsely. "The fight will have to start all over again!"

A low growl ran through the vast assembly.

"What's the trouble?" roared an individual in the tenth row.

"The trouble is," explained the referee, "that the moving picture man has struck a bad spot in his film, and the pictures are no good. Are you ready up there, professor? All right! Shake hands, boys! On my right we have—"

Lumber Waste for Fuel.

"Hog fuel," consisting of sawdust, shavings, ground-up edgings, slabs and trimmings, is widely used throughout the northwestern lumber fields, but only as an incidental; and the disposal of this material is usually a charge against the mill. A central heating plant has now been erected in Tacoma, designed especially for the burning of this fuel and with no provision for handling any other. The fuel arrives on barges and is handled by a five-ton clamshell bucket and a system of conveyors. — Scientific American.

WITH THE FUNNY MEN

LEARNED FAST,

"It's all his fault," said the fair defendant in a divorce suit. "He showed luxuries on me and taught me how to spend money."

"Have you anything to say to that?" asked the court.

"Nothing, your honor," replied the plaintiff, mournfully, "except that she was an apt pupil." — Birmingham Age-Herald.

The Inducement.

"I will run again if there is an overwhelming demand."

"I think I can get a petition signed by our four or five office-seekers, Senator."

"All right. It won't take much to overwhelm me." — Louisville Courier-Journal.

Instructive.

"Has this photoplay you are talking about any educational value?"

"Have you ever seen a roulette wheel in operation?"

"No."

"It will educate you to that extent." — Birmingham Age-Herald.

No Use for Him.

Pained Customer—I believe you keep a good cutter on the premises?

Tailor—Yes, sir; certainly, sir. One of the best.

Pained Customer—Well, you might put him on to cut down this bill you sent me last week.

A Trim Motto.

The Barber (eloquently, and razor aloft)—Why, sir, the barber shop is—

The Victim—Is the land of the fee and the home of the shave.—Wayside Tales.

THAT'S THE QUESTION

She: Anything that is worth winning is worth working for.

He: Yes, but the question is, will your father loosen up, or will I have to keep on working for you after I've won you?

Wiss Guy.

"The silent man's no fool," said Penn. "He knows what he's about; He thinks mistakes like other men But doesn't blurt them out."

The Hire the Lower.

"My elder son is anxious to get a job."

"I see; he has hire aspirations."

"And my other boy is crazy to acquire knowledge."

"Ah! Love aspirations, so to speak."

The Thrifty Scot.

Bix—I wonder why a Scotsman always says "hae" for "have."

Dix—Possibly its on account of his thrift—he saves a "v" every time he does it.—Boston Transcript.

Small Container.

Algy—Dearest, I've often longed to tell you all that's in my heart.

Miss Bright (yawning)—No, Algy; tell me all that's in your head—it won't take long.

Correct.

Fortune Teller—You will marry a light man.

Norah (joyously)—That's Dinny; Shure, don't he work for th' electric company.—Boston Transcript.

No Quarter for His Last Quarter.

Bachelor—How long did your honeymoon last?

Benedict—Oh, just like the other moons, it faded away on the last quarter.—Science and Invention.

Thoughtful and Sympathetic.

Singer—Did you note how well my voice filled the great hall?

Friend—Yes, people were kind enough to leave, so as to make room for it.

Coming and Going.

Alice—Gladys married Dick for his money.

Virginia—And then divorced him for the same object.—New York Sun.

Father's Definition.

"Pa, what's a silent majority?"

"A silent majority, my son, is two men trying to entertain one woman." — Boston Transcript.

Somewhat Different.

"That new star doesn't seem to want the center of the stage."

"Naw, he's an ex-minstrel and was always used to being end man." — Louisville Courier-Journal.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY

A cordial invitation is extended to strangers who belong to any of these organizations to visit meetings when in town.

BETHEL LODGE, F. & A. M., No. 97, meets in Masonic Hall the second Thursday evening of each month. R. R. Tibbets, W. M.; Fred B. Merrill, Secretary.

PURITY CHAPTER, No. 192, O. E. S., meets in Masonic Hall the first Wednesday evening of each month. Mrs. Elizabeth Garey, W. M.; Mrs. Pearl Tibbets, Secretary.

MT. ABRAM LODGE, No. 31, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall every Friday evening. A. C. Brink, N. G.; Wesley Wheeler, Secretary.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE, No. 64, I. O. O. F., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the first and third Monday evenings of each month. Mrs. Lena Brink, N. G.; Anna French, Secretary.

SUDBURY LODGE, K. of P., No. 22, meets in Odd Fellows' Hall each Tuesday evening. E. Leroy Good, C. O.; John Harrington, K. of R. and S.

NACCOMI TEMPLE, PYTHIAN SISTERS, No. 68, meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday evening of each month at I. O. O. F. Hall. Mrs. Helen Baker, M. E. C. Mrs. Minnie Bennett, M. of R. & C.

BROWN POST, No. 84, G. A. R., meets at Odd Fellows' Hall the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. A. H. Hutchins, Commander; I. C. Jordan, Adjutant; L. N. Bartlett, Q. M.

BROWN W. R. C., No. 36, meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the second and fourth Thursday evening of each month. Emily Forbes, Pres.; Eva Hastings, Secretary.

GEORGE A. MUNDT POST, No. 81, AMERICAN LEGION, meets the first Tuesday of each month in its rooms. William Mackay, Commander; Howard Tyler, Adjutant.

BETHEL GRANGE, No. 56, meets in their hall the first and third Thursday evenings of each month. A. F. Copeland, M.; Eva Hastings, Secretary.

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"How about a shock absorber?" asked the man who was buying a cheap car.

"We can put one on."

"No," said the purchaser, "but I'd like to have one sent to my wife in advance—she expects a limousine."

To Keep Well

Don't Worry, Don't Hurry, especially at meal times or just before eating. To chew your food thoroughly is absolutely necessary if you expect it to digest. If you swallow your food whole, eating while worried or excited, you are paying the way for stomach trouble. If you are already having indigestion as a result of rushing your meals, reform your habits now, today.

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STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in the estate of the late John H. Parker, deceased, in the County of Oxford, Maine.

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two. The following matters having been presented for the action thereon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of April, A. D. 1922, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Nancy A. Mayconell late of Hanover, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Alpha T. Powers, the executor therein named.

Helen L. Powers late of Dixfield, deceased; second account presented for allowance by Ellery C. Park, executor.

Charles R. Bartlett late of Greenwood, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Ellery C. Park, administrator.

Elizabeth R. Whitman late of Woodstock, deceased; petition for order to distribute balance remaining in his hands presented by Ellery C. Park, administrator.

Witness, ARTHUR E. STEARNS, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two.

ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

430-31

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed executrix of the last will and testament of William H. Hays late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ROSELLA H. DEAN, Bethel, Maine, 3-30-22

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Daniel O. Bonnell late of Dixfield in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

UNIE E. PERCIVAL, Bethel, Maine, 3-30-22

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Daniel A. Olmstead late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

WALTER G. BLAKE, Bethel, Maine, 3-30-22

Fifty Paragraphs.

Whatever Broadway may have been in its day, it is a thoroughfare of aliens now, and it has no day, comparatively speaking, but only the night, when the Dr. Kennicotts of the inland towns walk with their tails or less restless women folk, and try to believe they have struck oil in an emotional sense, and that they are having the time of their lives. Langs Dodge.

Dixfield said that every one likes flattery, but with royalty you pay it on with a crown; and nations are like royalty, only more so; they will swallow anything about themselves while wondering at the credulity of other nations. A. Clinton Brock.

That is just the way to the world; an enemy can partly ruin a man, but it takes a good natured injudicious friend to complete the thing and make it perfect. Samuel L. Clemens.

Many things pass in handwriting, which prize "shows up." Print is so inflexible—flinging open the door of a little room, where, perhaps, two lovers are consummating, and saying to the public: "Have a look at them—these great people in love! You see they are just as silly as little people."—Allen Terry.

Final Chorus.

Wife! Knowing how honest to husbandry the milliner thought that flowers were the most becoming to me and I have always adorned feathers, so we finally compromised by putting on some fruit.

BOSTON MARKET REVIEW

For Week Ending March 31st, 1922.
(Prepared by U. S. Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates)

DAIRY & POULTRY PRODUCTS.

The weakness at other markets was reflected here and this together with an increase in arrivals of both western and northern fancy butter caused the break which finally settled at 27c on western and 27c on northern. Storage butter has been shown very liberally but has been slow in sympathy with freight. The best cars offered here can probably be bought around 25c. This light offering and good demand for fresh fats, together with firm tone at country shipping points has held the egg market steady to firm throughout the week and has caused prices to make slight advances to 26 1/2-27c for the general run. Some fancy grade lots bring a premium. Receipts of nearby henlayers show considerable increase and accumulation, supply exceeding the demand. Wholesale around 21c, jobbing mostly 22-23c. Dirtdrills firm, demand exceeds supply, the general run are selling at 20c, ranging 18 1/2-25 1/2c. Storage packed eggs are moving slow, shippers holding offerings too high to attract buyers, and ordering them into the coolers rather than to accept bids tendered. Sales this week at 28-29c. Cheese shows no material change. Arrivals of fresh light and readily taken mostly at 22c and 22 1/2c in small lots. Cured cheese still moving good up to 24 1/2c. Fresh killed poultry steady with receipts light but lower country prices and limited demand. Prices above nominal. Arrivals of western two poultry heavier with fair demand on the whole. Poultry 22-24c, chickens 22-23c. Maple Syrup and sugar steady supply more liberal. Syrup 17 1/2-19c, 15c, 14c, 13c, 12c, 11c, 10c, 9c, 8c, 7c, 6c, 5c, 4c, 3c, 2c, 1c, 0c. Pound cakes 22-30c.

FRUITS & VEGETABLES.

Somewhat less buying demand than last week, with more lines showing a downward than an upward price tendency. Apples steady, best New York State Baldwin's selling \$3.25-4.50, and Maine No. 1 Ben Davis \$5.00-5.50 a barrel. Cabbages in heavy supply and lower, Florida crates and Texas barrels selling \$2.25-2.50. Florida celery scarce and higher at \$3.75-4.00 a crate for the best sizes. California cauliflower lower at \$2.25-2.50 a crate. Native hothouse lettuce higher at \$1.00-1.25 a box, and California iceberg lettuce at \$5.00-5.50 a crate. Connecticut valley onions higher at \$1.12-1.25 a box. Maine potatoes 10-12c, 11-12c, 13-14c, 15-16c, 17-18c, 19-20c, 21-22c, 23-24c, 25-26c, 27-28c, 29-30c, 31-32c, 33-34c, 35-36c, 37-38c, 39-40c, 41-42c, 43-44c, 45-46c, 47-48c, 49-50c, 51-52c, 53-54c, 55-56c, 57-58c, 59-60c, 61-62c, 63-64c, 65-66c, 67-68c, 69-70c, 71-72c, 73-74c, 75-76c, 77-78c, 79-80c, 81-82c, 83-84c, 85-86c, 87-88c, 89-90c, 91-92c, 93-94c, 95-96c, 97-98c, 99-100c. Maine potatoes 10-12c, 11-12c, 13-14c, 15-16c, 17-18c, 19-20c, 21-22c, 23-24c, 25-26c, 27-28c, 29-30c, 31-32c, 33-34c, 35-36c, 37-38c, 39-40c, 41-42c, 43-44c, 45-46c, 47-48c, 49-50c, 51-52c, 53-54c, 55-56c, 57-58c, 59-60c, 61-62c, 63-64c, 65-66c, 67-68c, 69-70c, 71-72c, 73-74c, 75-76c, 77-78c, 79-80c, 81-82c, 83-84c, 85-86c, 87-88c, 89-90c, 91-92c, 93-94c, 95-96c, 97-98c, 99-100c. Maine potatoes 10-12c, 11-12c, 13-14c, 15-16c, 17-18c, 19-20c, 21-22c, 23-24c, 25-26c, 27-28c, 29-30c, 31-32c, 33-34c, 35-36c, 37-38c, 39-40c, 41-42c, 43-44c, 45-46c, 47-48c, 49-50c, 51-52c, 53-54c, 55-56c, 57-58c, 59-60c, 61-62c, 63-64c, 65-66c, 67-68c, 69-70c, 71-72c, 73-74c, 75-76c, 77-78c, 79-80c, 81-82c, 83-84c, 85-86c, 87-88c, 89-90c, 91-92c, 93-94c, 95-96c, 97-98c, 99-100c.

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HARRIET and the PIPER

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Harriet Field, twenty-eight years old and beautiful, is the social secretary of the district. She is the daughter of a wealthy family, and her mother, Mrs. Carter, is a highly distinguished social leader. Harriet is a highly distinguished social leader. Harriet is a highly distinguished social leader.

CHAPTER II.—Freddie over the tea-table this afternoon. Harriet is profoundly disturbed by the arrival of a visitor, Royal Blonin. Next day, at a tea party in the city, Blonin makes himself agreeable to Nina, and leaves a deep impression on the unsophisticated girl.

CHAPTER III.—Harriet's agitation over the appearance of Blonin is explained by the fact that he had been a disturbing element in her life for years. Blonin is a highly distinguished social leader. Harriet is a highly distinguished social leader.

CHAPTER IV.—Harriet waits her married sister, Linda Davenport, with whom she had had her home during her university acquaintance with Blonin. The two women, realizing the unscrupulous nature of the man, view the future with apprehension.

CHAPTER V.—Knowing the tender feeling she has inspired in Ward Carter, Harriet is tempted to marry him for the position and wealth he can give her, though realizing she does not love him. Blonin has ingratiated himself with Madame Carter, and she is wholeheartedly in favor of his marriage with Nina. Ward urges Harriet to marry him at once. She procrastitates.

She reviews the incredible events of the past few days, and the actors drifted before her vision fitfully: Isabelle, white-bosomed and beautiful, in her prime; Tony Pope, passionate and wretched; Royal, low-voiced, dreamy, poetic, with his eloquent black eyes; Nina, newly awakened; Ward, weak, boyish, ardent; Madame Carter, full of theatrical dignity and well-rounded phrases, and lastly—simple, strong, anxious to protect them all, even from their own follies—Richard.

"Not one word of blame, not one ugly insinuation," she mused, "yet she has shamed him, and he is so honorable; and she has made him conspicuous, when he is so modest."

She thought of Isabelle, fresh from Germany's careful hands, lying in her exquisite nightgown against the cushions of a deck chair, smiling, the rosy flattery light under the green awning, at the infatuated man beside her.

"Eight" and Harriet, with a healthy uprush of utter disgust. These few months would not be endless for Isabelle, by any means. And after them, what? Was it conceivable that these fatal sixteen years would fail to identify Tony and Isabelle wherever they went, even though the press was not eagerly assisting them? Supposing that Isabelle never thought of Crownlands, of her handsome son, and her young daughter, of the man whose patience and cleverness had lifted her to all this luxury from an apartment in a small town, would no memory of the place she had held, and the friendships she had commanded, haunt her? Truly there was always society for the Isabelle, but to Harriet's clean sense it seemed but the society of a jail.

"I wouldn't change places with her!" Harriet decided, in the soft silence and darkness of the summer night.

From Isabelle's problem her thoughts went to her own, to Royal Blonin. She was wakeful and restless tonight simply because she could not decide just how much she need fear him. Firstly, was there any reason for antagonizing him, and secondly, would he hurt her if she did? For Royal could not punish her without punishing himself, and could not banish her from Crownlands if he ever hoped to show his own face there again. But Nina?

Was Blonin so bad? She tried to ask herself the question honestly, and an honest shudder answered it before it was fairly framed. She tried to picture Nina's marriage, their early days together, the breakfast table, where the crude little girl blundered, and floundered in conversation, her helpless devotion, that would annoy and exasperate him. She saw Nina's heart-sick eyes, smiling with hurt tears; Nina's cheek book eagerly surrendered to win from her lord a few delicious hours of the old dattery, the old attention.

"It would take a clever woman to hold him," Harriet thought, "and it wouldn't be worth a clever woman's while."

"Nina—Ward—Royal—Richard. The weary procession began again. Royal might treat her with honesty and honor. He was not small in everything, and she had never done him harm. But—there might come the terrible moment when she had to face Richard with the confession. Yes, she had known him before. Yes, they had entered into a tacit compact. Yes, she had kept from Nina's father a secret that, while it might be unimportant, certainly should have been told him.

Impossible to think the thing to any conclusion! Too many possibilities might alter the entire situation. If she were married safely to Ward, for example? But then she dared not marry Ward until Royal's attitude was finally defined. For if her position were dangerous now, what would it be if she had committed herself irrevocably to deception by marriage? Ward's young, crude intolerance sitting in judgment upon his wife—Harriet shivered.

Suddenly she fell upon her knees, and dropped her bright head against the wide balustrade. For a long time Harriet had not prayed. But now, in a few words, and quite without premeditation, there burst from her the most sincere prayer of her life. She looked up at the stars.

"God!" she said, softly, aloud, "help me! Make me do what is right, however hard it is. Father, don't let me make another mistake!"

CHAPTER VIII.

Sudden peace and confidence flooded her spirit. She sat on, dreaming and planning, but with no more mental distress. In some subtle fashion, a new self-reliance came. She would not let him frighten her again; after all, while she commanded her own soul, Royal Blonin could not hurt her.

"And he shall not marry Nina, either!" Harriet decided, going in, stiff and cold, but full of resolution. She looked at a clock—it was almost four. Three hours' sleep was not to be despised, but Harriet was in no mood for it. Instead she took a bath, and just as the dawn was beginning to flood the world with mysterious half-lights and long wet shadows, she crept out into the dew-drenched garden and, with a triumphant sense of being alone, went into the wood. Early walks were one of her delights. It was almost seven o'clock when she came back, glowing, beginning to feel warm and headachy, beginning to realize that the July day would be hot, beginning to be conscious of the eight mile tramp. In the garden at Crownlands she met Royal, leaving the house.

He studied her approvingly. "Harriet, do you know that you are extraordinarily easy to look upon? What gets you up so early?"

"Well, I thought perhaps I had better get out. I'm at the club for a day or two. Ward tells me," he added, giving her a sharp glance, "that you and he—eh?"

Harriet flushed. "I'm sorry he told you."

"Oh, my dear child!" Blonin made a deprecatory motion of his hands. "Of course, I think you're very wise," he added.

This smote upon her new-born self-respect, and all the glory departed from the day. The man saw her breast rise and fall with some quick emotion as he half-smilingly watched her.

"The lad gets a beautiful and wise and very discreet wife," he was beginning, but Harriet silenced him angrily. "He loves me. I don't know what a boy's love is worth; he's only twenty-two, after all. But he does love me! But believe me, Royal, you couldn't hurt me—as you are hurting me!—if there was no truth in what

"I am going to tell him frankly, exactly what you have said to me," Harriet said, presently, with decision and calm that she had always been poor, and that it is utterly impossible for me to separate the thought of him from the thought of what my life as his wife would mean."

"Be careful how you play your hand alone!" the man said. "Half confidence isn't much more than none at all!"

A moment later they parted; the woman entering the house for a cup of coffee, and some conference with butler and housekeeper, and the man starting off briskly for his early walk. But Blonin was smiling, as he went upon his way, and Harriet was white with anger and impotence.

"Will you everything else I have in this world, in the balance, Roy?" she said to herself, in the sunshiny silence of the breakfast room. "But I'll hold no more stolen conversations with you! I'll break my engagement with Ward, I'll go to Richard Carter and humiliate myself, I'll go back to Linda's house without a penny in the world—but I'll be done with you! Thank God, however, the story may sound especially with your interpretations on it, you haven't my honor in your keeping, though you may seem to have!"

The house was absolutely quiet; the clock on the stairs struck a silver seven. Harriet went noiselessly to her own room; Nina was sleeping heavily. She flung off her clothes, sank into bed. And now at last sleep came, deep, delicious, satisfying.

A day or two later there was a family conference in the library, and Harriet realized more clearly than ever that it was impossible to forget the march of events. Richard announced that after consideration he had decided that it would be wiser for the family to weather the storm of talk that would follow Isabelle's disappearance in some neighborhood less connected with her. He had therefore leased an establishment on Long Island, where the children could have their swimming and tennis, and his mother her usual nearness to town, but where they would be comparatively inaccessible to a curious press and public, and might disappear for a grateful interval. The life at Huntington would be less formal than at Crownlands, but the house he had taken was comfortable and roomy; there would be plenty of room for Nina's girl friends and Ward's guests. Miss Field, Bottomley and Hansen would please see to it that the move was made with all possible expedition. "I have explained to my mother and the children," he said, quietly, to Harriet, "that Mrs. Carter has asked for a divorce, which will, of course, be immediately arranged. Now, Miss Field, you will understand that you are in charge from now on. My mother will—well, you know how to handle her? She is old—enjoys her little bit of mischief sometimes! Anything unusual you can refer to me; I shall be there every week, anyway."

He paused and ruffled the scattered papers that were on the flat-topped desk before him. Harriet watched him anxiously. She thought he looked tired and old, and her heart ached at the troubled attempt he was making to simplify the tragedy for them all. He was not handsome, she reflected, but surely there had never been keener or pleasanter gray eyes, and a mouth so strong when it was in repose, so honest when it smiled. Not like Ward's ready and incessant laughter, not like Royal Blonin's carefully calculated amusement.

Teaching this point in her thought, facing him with her whole beautiful face alive with emotion and interest, Harriet smiled herself, involuntarily and faintly. It was a smile of almost dauntless sympathy and comradeship, friendly and innocent, and wholly irresistible.

Richard, catching the look, was perhaps unconsciously cheered by it. Even at forty-four, and under his present difficulties and harassments, the man must have been dead not to be refreshed by the vision of earnest youth and beauty that was so near him in the tempered summer light of the great library.

"Thank you," he said, as if she had spoken. "There is one more thing, Miss Field," he added, idly rumpling his papers again, and then moving his fine hand to his thick brown hair, whose shining order he ruffled too. "About this man Blonin. Do you know anything about him?"

"I don't know much, and what I do know I don't like," Richard continued, nothing amiss in her manner, perhaps because he was so deeply absorbed in what he was saying. "He's a handsome fellow; he knows his subject, I guess. But I don't like him. Now, I don't know how he feels to Nina, or she to him, but as you know, she will come into her uncle's fortune in a few months, unless the trustee, who is myself, decides to defer payment for another three years. I merely want to say that it might be as well to intimate to this young fellow that there are conditions under which I would see fit to defer it, and anything that brought him into that connection would—well, would constitute one."

"I didn't know of that," Harriet exclaimed, in such obvious relief that the man smiled involuntarily. "Then you agree with me?" he asked, eagerly.

Here in the somber sweetness of the library, with the man she admired and respected above all others looking to her for confidence and counsel, what could she say? Even had Royal Blonin been present, Harriet might have cast every secondary consideration to the winds as readily. As it was, she could only tell him the truth.

"Oh, yes—yes! I told Ward that I would rather see Nina dead!"

"Why do you say so?" Richard asked. "Now, I'll tell you why I do," he added, as Harriet was not unnaturally, groping for definite phrases. "I've been watching this man. I had his record looked into. There's nothing extremely bad in it—he seems to be a gentleman adventurer. I don't want him mixed up with my family. I'm going to speak to Ward about it, warn him that his sister's happiness mustn't be risked by having the fellow about at all. You're tired," said Richard, abruptly.

"Indeed I'm not!" the girl protested, with white lips.

"You don't imagine the man is serious?" Richard asked, alarmed by her manner.

"I don't know!" Harriet answered at random. "They're—they're hardly known each other three weeks!"

"Ah, well! And she is only seventeen," her father said. "Distract her, or amuse her—she's inclined to mope a bit. Get riding horses!"

No time to think—no time to trim her course. Harriet must plunge blindly ahead now.

"Mr. Carter, would you—if you think wise—give your mother a hint of this? Madame Carter is romantic, you know."

"Oh, certainly! Certainly!" he said, approvingly. "I'll speak to her. We must keep Nina a little girl this summer. And, Miss Field—"

It was said with only a slight change in the pleasant voice. But it brought a sudden change in their relationship. A tightening of the bonds that were all Harriet's world now.

"Miss Field, I may say here and now that it is an unmet privilege, in my estimation," Richard Carter said, simply, "that my daughter, and my son, too, for the matter of that, should have the advantage of your influence, and your example, at this time. I have never been unappreciative of the value of a simple, good, unspiced woman in my household. I have seen the effect in a thousand ways. But at the present moment, I hardly know where I could turn without you. I can only hope that in some way the Carters may be able to repay you!"

The secretary's shining head dropped, and she rested her elbow on the table, and pressed a white hand tight across her eyes for a moment of silence. When she faced him again her face was a little pale, and her magnificent eyes heavy with tears.

"I love all the Carters," she said simply. "I only wish I were—half what you say!"

And without another word she stood up, folded into a tiny oblong the paper upon which she had been making a few notes, and went slowly to the library door. More deeply stirred than she had been since the days of her passionate girlhood, she turned on the threshold for a look of farewell. But Richard Carter had left the desk, and was kneeling on one knee before his safe; he had forgotten her. Harriet went across the hall, mounted the stairs, and found her own room. She was hardly conscious of what she was doing or thinking.

"Oh, what shall I do?" she whispered. "He trusts me to protect her! Oh, why didn't I the moment I knew that Royal was thinking of her—why didn't I go to him then, and make a clean breast of it all? Now—now I've promised! And they trust me and love me—and what shall I do? Oh, God," whispered Harriet, sinking on her knees beside the bed, "you know that I am good—you know that I can really help them all—can really protect the girl! You know how I have chosen what was fine and good, and all these years, how I have longed for an opportunity to be useful and happy! Don't let him come into my life again, and spoil it again. Don't let Richard Carter lose faith in me, and despise me! I don't know what the matter with me is, sobbing Harriet, burying her brilliant eyes in the pillows "I never cry. I haven't cried like this for years and years! I think I'm losing my mind!"

CHAPTER IX.

The move to Huntington was made quickly and quietly, and lazy weeks followed, to Harriet weeks of almost cloudless content. Ward, early in August, after a serious talk with Harriet, joined some friends for a motor run of three thousand miles, and presently was sending them post cards from Monterey and Tahoe.

They had been in the new home only a few days when Harriet had reason to stop short in a busy morning of unpacking with one hand upon her heart, and a great satisfaction in her eyes. Nina, reading from a note from Royal Blonin, announced the sensational news that he had broken his ankle. He was with friends at Newport, and must remain there now for weeks, perhaps a month. Nina was pleased to write to him, and to give his regard to Miss Field, and ask her not to forget him.

For several weeks they were safe. Nina did not know the family Royal had been visiting, there was a long interval before she could possibly see him again. He would write to the girl, of course, and Harriet knew with what absorbing emotion she would look for his letters. But Nina was young and Nina wrote wretchedly, and anything might happen, thought Harriet, so

selling herself with a vague argument that was in itself youthful, too.

With September came changes. Blonin wrote that he was limping about with a stick, and wanted to drop down to them as soon as they would ask him. Ward was home again, as always irresponsible, a little older and in some vague way a little coarser. Harriet thought, but still a most enlivening element in the quiet household. Madame Carter had brought with her, for several weeks' stay, a friend of Isabelle's, a pretty, dashing little grass widow, Mrs. Tabor. The resolute brightness and sweetness with which Ida Tabor attempted to amuse Richard gave Harriet some hint of the plan which was taking shape in the back of his mother's head. But she could only make Mrs. Tabor comfortable, and fit her somehow into the youthful plans of the household.

Nina, Ward and Harriet fairly lived in the water, and Ward had unconsciously served his father's cause by bringing home with him a tongue-tied pleasant youth named Saunders Archer, whose presence in the house had helped to keep Nina pleased and amused. She had already imparted to Harriet the valuable information that Saunders had never known his mother, and had never had a sister, "and of course I have always been such an oddity in the family," said Nina, "that I got right at his confidence in that dreadful way of mine! He said he didn't know why he talked to me so frankly."

Harriet had seen to it that a variety of delightful plans awaited the young people at every turn. The retirement natural after the recent domestic catastrophe was too dangerous to risk now. And Harriet hoped, hoped, hoped, feverishly, incessantly, wearily, that the danger was past.

But Amy came down, mild and colorless as ever, yet still more poised, more socially adept than Nina, and with Amy innocently diverting Saunders' bashful attentions, Nina returned to thoughts of Royal. He was coming down with Madame Carter and Mrs. Tabor in her car. Richard was bringing two men down for golf this week-end, and with Saunders and Amy, Royal and Madame Carter and Mrs. Tabor, the house would be filled. She had plenty to do with the managing, the endless details that were brought her mercilessly, hour after hour, by maids and housekeeper. And yet under her quick business and her happy hours with the young people there lurked incessantly a fretted sense of danger approaching.

Something of this was in her mind as she and Nina sat on the gently heaving float, in the sunshine. Nina talked incessantly of Blonin. Harriet fancied—saw an opening for a little talk she felt extremely timely.

"Mr. Blonin likes you, Nina, just because you aren't flirtatious and silly, like the other girls. But he isn't the sort of man to get very deeply interested in any woman, dear."

"No, I know he's not!" Nina said quickly, turning suddenly red, and looking attentively at the print of her wet hand on the dry, hot boards.

"And I would be sorry if he were," Harriet pursued, not too seriously. "For I want you to marry a man of your own age, when you do marry, and not a man who has had—well, other affairs, who has that confidential, flattering manner with all women! You will be rich, Nina—"

"Why don't you say that Royal is after my money?" Nina burst out, with symptoms of tears. The red name frightened Harriet afresh; she knew that they corresponded, that grass was



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not growing under Royal's feet. "The first man I ever really liked," Nina said, with a heaving breast, "the first man who ever understood me—"

"Nina," Harriet said, "you don't want to have to write your husband a check on your honeymoon?"

She felt it a cruel cut; but seventeen years of dattery and smoothness had armed Nina in impregnable complacency. She gave a smothered laugh that trembled on the brink of tears, and tried to control a mouth that was shaking with anger. One look of utter scorn she did manage, then she shrugged not so much her shoulders as her whole body, and flung herself furiously into the water. Harriet called "Nina!" first impatiently, and then coaxingly. But the younger girl swam steadily to the shore, and Harriet saw her a minute later, shaking

herself outside the shower, before she disappeared into the big bathroom.

Harriet had entirely forgotten Ward, until he swam under the float, and with a characteristic yell, rose streaming like a seal under her very feet.

Genuinely startled, she gratified him with a scream, and they both laughed like children as he flung himself dripping on the hot boards, and proceeded to bask luxuriously in the sun.

"It's the most gorgeous thing I ever saw, do you know that?" he asked, with one hand touching the river of sparkling gold that blazed and tumbled on her shoulders. "Listen, Harriet, do you remember the little talk we had some weeks ago?"

"Perfectly," she said, a little unwillingly.

"Well, how about it?" the boy said, after a pause.

"It wouldn't be fair to you, Ward," the girl said, slowly, after a pause. "I love you, but I don't love you the way your wife will!"

"I want you!" he said, suddenly. "I'm crazy about you! My God—"

"Ward, please don't touch me!" she said sharply, getting to her feet with a spring, as he put his arm about her. "Don't—I shall tell your father if you do!"

"You didn't talk that way at Crownlands last June," the man said, smiling. "I don't see what has made such a difference now!"

"I think perhaps I'm different, Ward. The summer—Harriet's voice died into silence. Her eyes were fixed upon the figure of a man who came down the little pier, and dove to the shining water. Two minutes later, with a great gasp of satisfaction, Richard Carter drew himself up beside them.

"Ha! That is something like! My Lord, the water is beautiful today! How about the buoy? Who swims with me to the buoy?"

"Come on, Harriet!" Ward said, pointing.

Harriet rose, and bundled the glory of her hair into a blue rubber cap that made her look like a beautiful rose. French peasant. With no further speech she made a splendid dive, and the men followed her.

It was one of life's beautiful hours, she thought, as in a great splash of salt water she reached the buoy, and hung laughing and panting to its restless bulk. Ward had preceded her by a full minute, Richard was half a minute behind her. With much vain glorious boasting from the men, they all heaved before the homeward swim. Harriet hardly spoke, her cap was full to the brim with a mysterious folly born of the summer hour, the heaving waters, and the joyous mood of father and son. When Richard praised her swimming she flushed, in the severe blue cap, and the blue eyes met his with the shy pleasure of a child. It was while she was hastily dressing, in the hot bathroom a little later, that a sudden thought came to her, and flushed the lovely face again, and brought her to a sudden pause.

A tremendous thought, that made her breast rise suddenly, and her eyes fix themselves vaguely on space for a long, long minute. Her palms were damp, and she put them over her hot cheeks. But that—she whispered in the depths of her soul, that was nonsense!

Blonin had been waiting for Harriet at the church door. Coming out, she had indicated without a word that he might walk beside her. The service had been ill-attended, and the few women who drifted away from it did not walk in their direction, so they found themselves alone.

Harriet opened the conversation with a frank yet reluctant confession. "I'm so sorry, Roy! But it is only fair to you to say that I've changed. You will have to do what you think fit about it, of course. But I can't pretend that I'm—I'm playing your game any longer."

"What game?" Blonin, falling into graceful step beside her, asked pleasantly.

"I mean any possible—idea you might have of Nina!" Harriet said, bravely.

"Oh, Nina!" he shrugged his shoulders lightly. "Don't take me too seriously, Harriet," he said. "Why, whenever we are alone together, should you promptly begin to cross-question me about that little person?"

Harriet made a faint, impatient ejaculation.

"Well, anyway, you know where I stand!" she said.

"And you know where I do," he answered, after a pause. "I can see Carter has no particular enthusiasm for me—I suppose that's your work."

"You know where I stand," she could only repeat. They had reached the garden now, and were at the foot of the steps.

"I don't quite see how you can take that tone," Blonin hinted. "Do you expect to marry the boy?"

Harriet did not answer, except by a faint shrug. Her heart was sick with fright, but there was no reason why she should be informed that she had definitely broken with Ward. But he had never come so near a threat before.

"Of course I am entirely at your mercy," she said, simply. Blonin watched her for a full moment of silence before he said suddenly: "Look here. I'll make a bargain with you. If you will consent not to make any allusion to—well, to ten years ago, I'll do the same. I'll give you my solemn promise on it. Say what you please about me now. You're under no bond to protect me. I can hold my own. But the past is dead. Neither you nor I will speak of it without agreeing to do so. How about it?"

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SOUTH BETHEL

Out of town callers at Frank Brooks' Sunday, were: Leon Brooks, John and Thomas Kennah and Bernard Harrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Chase recently received the news that their daughter, Mrs. Willie Bennett of Locke's Mills had gone to the hospital, at Lewiston for appendicitis.

Frank Brooks, who has had an attack of appendicitis, is improving.

Warren Brooks was in town one day last week.

Henry Hastings, Dr. I. H. Wight and F. E. Russell were in town, Thursday.

Earl Smith is working for Howard Halchins.

Oscar Tibbitts hauled wood for Frank Brooks, Friday.

Mrs. Mary Chase is entertaining her daughter, Mrs. Robert Chase, of Norton Mills, Vt., for a few weeks.

Mrs. and Clyde Stevens, who have been quarantined for scarlet fever, are making arrangements to resume their studies at Gould's Academy, Monday.

SUNG HIS OWN COMPOSITIONS

Thomas Moore, Famous Irish Poet, Was Surely Exceptionally Endowed by Nature.

Thomas Moore, Ireland's favorite minstrel poet, was born in rooms over a Dublin corner grocery in 1770, and died a baronet, the "poet of all circles and the darling of his own," the idol of two continents, in 1852.

For the last thirty years of his life he lived in a cottage at Slapton, near Devizes, Wiltshire, where he devoted himself to all manner of literary effort. His works include not only delightful short poems of "The Last Rose of Summer" type, but also poems to form a quarto volume, such as "Lalla Rookh," for which Moore received 3,000 guineas (\$15,000), and they include prose of all kinds, a series of humorous letters, biographies and even a "History of Ireland."

Moore himself was a beautiful singer and rendered his own compositions often in public. It is related. After the tragic death of his daughter he refused to sing publicly again. His daughter, the darling of his heart, was haunting over the balustrade one night to throw a kiss to her father as he was going out to dine, when she lost her balance, fell and was killed.

"The Last Rose of Summer" was one of Moore's most exquisite creations. It appears in a collection of "Irish Melodies," written for the Power, a London music publisher, on a contract to supply a considerable number of songs for a volume entitled as above. The work was started in 1807 and was not completed till 1834. "The Last Rose of Summer," however, was among the early productions, and is therefore really more than 100 years old.

RUMFORD

William O. Ryall, employed for a time by the Rumford Falls Power Co., is spending several months at his home in Makemie Park, Va.

Miss Arlene Nile, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Nile of Prospect avenue, Virginia District, is at the home of her parents for the Easter vacation. Miss Nile is a student at Hebron Academy.

Mrs. Henry Ames has been a guest of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Backard of Livermore Falls. Fletcher Shea is gaining from his recent illness.

Donald Burditt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burditt of Washington street, is at home from the University of Maine on his Easter vacation.

Mrs. Augusta Paine and her mother, Mrs. Briery, are enjoying the school vacation in Portland and vicinity and in Boston.

Miss Elsie Ireland, teacher of oral expression in Rumford High School, is enjoying her vacation at her home in Stetson, and in Bangor.

The stores in town, with the exception of the fruit, drug and periodical stores, will be closed all day on Patriot's Day, April 19, and will be open the evening before this holiday.

Donald G. Lambert has succeeded Miss Eleanor Hayes as instructor of the Boys' Class at the Universalist Sunday School.

One of the books recently added to the Rumford Public Library is "The First Century of the Bench and Bar of Maine, 1820-1920, Maine State Bar Association."

The twins recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harris of Belmont, Mass., have been named Ray W., Jr., and Margery Hawley.

Mrs. Ella Brown and Mrs. Mary Simpson have recently been taken into the Christmas Club as new members.

Mrs. Katherine Clark is planning a visit with relatives in Derry, N. H.

A large number were present at the annual meeting of the Rumford Falls Village Corporation held last week, it being the largest meeting ever held by the Corporation. Only one contest developed, that being for the office of third assessor, with Stephen R. Pennell, the present assessor being re-elected to office. Pennell was opposed by Bradford Andrews, but received 178 votes more, the votes being Pennell 338, Andrews 358. There were 21 articles in the warrant, and Judge A. E. Stearns was chosen moderator. The Corporation officers for 1922 as chosen are:

Clerk—Charles O. Dunton.

Assessors—Fred W. Davis, Origeno Filiault, Stephen R. Pennell.

Tax Collector—William F. Cyr.

Treasurer—Harry W. Derry.

Auditor—Harry J. Carroll.

Fire Engineers—F. B. Carroll, H. M. Allen, Claude Rolfe.

The appropriations were as follows:

Street lights, \$8,400

Hydrants, 2,500

Miscellaneous, 2,000

Police, 13,000

Fire Department, 15,000

Debt and Interest, 1,900

Collecting Garbage, 3,100

Band Concerts, 500

Park, 3,010

Street Sprinkling, 1,810

Serial Bonds, 2,000

Total, \$52,000

The police officials as well as other officials appointed by the Selectmen will be appointed during the latter part of April.

Mrs. Nathan Israelson, organist at the Universalist church, is working up an attractive musical program for Easter Sunday morning. Among the numbers will be selections by a double sextette, composed of six young men and six young ladies. These young people will render the opening anthem, "Strathgiles Commandery, Knights Templar," will attend this church in a body on Easter Sunday, when special services will be conducted in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Monteith announce the engagement of their daughter, Hazel, to Maurice L. Earle of Litchfield. Miss Monteith is a student at Bates College, class of 1923, while Mr. Earle is a senior at the same college.

"Katcha Koo," a musical production to be presented by the Rumford Lodge of Elks, will be given at Majestic Theatre on April 24 and 25.

What is known as the "Home Service Appeal" is being conducted in Rumford this week by the Salvation Army. Some six or more workers of this organization are making a house to house canvass, the proceeds from this appeal going directly to help the needy, helpless and homeless. The quota for this vicinity is \$2,000, and Elsie Pratt is the local treasurer. The local board working in cooperation with the Army workers is composed of President, R. T. Parker; vice president, Charles A. Mixer; Secretary, Rev. Allen Brown, and treasurer, Elsie Pratt.

Last week the jurors for the May term of Court were chosen in the office of the selectmen, and among them was Miss Virgil Brown, who has the distinction of being the first woman to be chosen from this section. The other jurors selected were George Kimball,

Warren Bellows and W. B. Ordway. Miss Vera Stevens, Oxford Mill nurse, is recovering from her recent surgical operation and is spending two weeks at her home in Keenebunk.

Miss Eleanor Bishop, district nurse, is to have a month's vacation, which she will spend in Portland. Mrs. Roland Norton will take her place during her absence.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mercier are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son, who has been named Philip J. Mercier.

The men in charge of the Bowery Ball to be given on April 19 are Messrs. A. E. Altred, Jack Altred, Charles Newall and Mr. Hinds.

Mr. Marion of the Rogers Producing Company of Portia, N. Y., has arrived in town to conduct the rehearsals for the play, "Katcha Koo."

Mr. Bryant, who has been occupying F. J. Caton's house during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Caton at West Palm Beach, Fla., has engaged the rent in the Hall house where H. J. Ladd is moving out.

Miss Ethel O'Brien has taken rooms over Mrs. Fortier's Economy Shop on York street.

P. Parke Mattison has accepted a position as machinist at the I. P. Co. of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hall, on York street for the Easter vacation.

Miss Ellen Hall is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hall, on York street for the Easter vacation.

George Wilkins and mother, who have been living in the second story flat in the J. F. Hall house on York street, are moving to Portland and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Morrow will take that room.

Dr. Harold W. Stanwood has been appointed by the government as medical examiner of all ex-service men in this district, and has been ordered to Portland for instructions relative to same.

Mrs. Hazel Bennett Wishart began work for Mr. McMasters in the Oxford mill office on this week Monday to continue for several weeks.

Walter Rolfe and family have moved into the house recently purchased by them on the corner of Franklin street and Rumford avenue. Mr. I. W. Greene who formerly owned the house has moved into the house formerly occupied by Frank Young and family on Rumford avenue.

The ladies of the Baptist church are to have an Easter sale on April 7th. Mrs. Helen Hutton is general chairman. Mrs. Trask is chairman of the fancy work table; Mrs. Grace Carroll, children and baby table; Mrs. Fred Carroll, aprons; Mrs. Hicks, novelty table; Mrs. J. E. Martin, candy; flower garden, Mrs. Grace Carroll's class of young girls; food sale, Mrs. Frow, chairman, Mrs. Rawley, Mrs. Mixer, Mrs. Hubbard, Mrs. Clements and Mrs. Cornely, refreshment table Mrs. Geo. Brown and Mrs. Burditt. Refreshments will be on sale from 2:30 until evening.

The annual fair held by Ozallus Temple, Pythian Sisters, held last week, was very successfully carried on in all ways, the fair clearing about \$350.

The World Wide Guild of the Baptist church are soon to have a little play, and the money thus earned is to buy dolls for the little children in far away lands of whom the Guild has been studying.

Leon Shea, '24, is home from the University of Maine on his Easter vacation. Perley L. Berry of the same college is also at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orrington Berry, on Main avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Clark have engaged the rent in the house on Washington street owned by Mrs. Harris L. Elliott, now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Given. Mr. and Mrs. Given plan soon to leave for California to visit their son, Ralph, and family.

Miss Fricella Frow, Miss Ada Reed, Miss Robertine Howe, Miss Clarice Small and Miss Hazel Monteith are at their homes in town from Bates College for the Spring recess.

Walter J. Tasker, son of Jesse Tasker of Rumford, and Miss Helen C. Van Alstyne, daughter of Alfred Van Alstyne of Mexico were recently married at the Methodist parsonage. Mr. Lowe performed the double ring ceremony.

An unanimous call has been extended by the Methodist church to have Rev. Ralph F. Lowe returned for another year's work at Rumford.

Miss Blanche LeChance, formerly a clerk in the A. & P. store on Waldo street, has opened a grocery store with her sister, Eva LeChance, in the Dr. Noyes block on Waldo street.

The Rumford Remnant Store is now open to the public. The store is opposite the Majestic Theatre on Waldo street, which was formerly occupied by Miss Anna Bureite as a millinery store.

Mr. William Shand has returned from the Chevrolet factory, where he has been since December 1st, and will take care of the Chevrolet service for the Isachsen Motor Co., local dealers.

The honor students in the graduating class of Rumford High School have been announced. This year's class has 22 pupils, and the students with the twelve highest ranks will occupy the honor roll. The highest average of

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the four years has been attained by Arthur Bergeron, who is closely followed by Elizabeth Howard, the former receiving 94.4 and 87 credits, while the latter received an average rank of 94.3 and 90 credits. The graduating requirements of Rumford High School are 80 credits, all of which must be for an average of 70 per cent or more.

Any student failing to meet these conditions will not be graduated. The honor roll is made up as follows: Arthur Bergeron, Elizabeth Howard, Jennie Welch, Dorothea Allen, Beryl Philbrick, Oscar Decoteau, George Bachelin, Louise Roussin, Gilbert Beauchene, Lulu Hamilton, Mary Robertson and Gerald O'Neil.

The death of Mudah Wyman, three months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dorrington Wyman, occurred last week at their home on the Swain road.

Mrs. William Thomas and daughter, Hazel, are the guests of relatives in Lewiston.

Peter Sawyer, who has worked at the Oxford mill during the winter months, is now driving a motor truck for the Turner Center Creamery Company.

Dr. Charles M. Bisbee has been reappointed for a term of three years by the selectmen of the town on the board of trustees of the Rumford and Mexico Water District.

A very enthusiastic meeting of about 40 of the business men of Rumford under the auspices of the Rumford Merchants Association was held last week for the purpose of bringing to the attention of the men the possibility of a large woolen mill locating here, one that would operate about 100 looms, employ between 200 and 300 people, with a yearly payroll of between \$250,000 and \$300,000. For sometime L. J. Coburn, one of the officers of the Lincoln Woolen Company, has been in correspondence with local men in reference to building a mill here, providing the people of Rumford want it, and will show that they do by subscribing the sum of \$100,000, the balance of the money to be taken care of by outside interest, this balance amounting to probably \$300,000 or \$400,000. Much discussion was carried on in the meeting, to the end that a citizens committee was appointed consisting of Dr. J. A. Nile, M. P. Abbott and Elsie Pratt, to further investigate the possibility of the new mill locating here. It was thought possible that the site of the former envelope mill, also possibly some of the buildings could be secured for such an industry, if suitable. It was voted that Mr. Coburn be asked to come to Rumford at an early date, to address a meeting under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce, at which time all the citizens of the town could attend and learn all the particulars relative to the mill.

The cast for the Senior Class play of Rumford High School, "A Couple of Millions," to be presented sometime in May, is as follows:

Benjamin Dennington, John Hay Hon. Jeremy Wise, Richard Dolloff, James Patrick Burns, Oscar Decoteau, Prof. Noah Jabb, Frederick Dunham, Beverly Soman, Lawrence Thurston, Mrs. Claire Courtney, Dorothy Allen, Genevieve McGuldy, Kathleen Moore, Squire Piper, Orville Wade, Fay Fairbanks, Eldora Linnell, Sammie Bell Porter, Lulu Hamilton, Pink, Mary Robertson, Business Manager, Allan Carlisle, Miss Elsie Ireland, teacher of oral expression, is directing the play.

The World Wide Guild is planning to present a missionary play, "Such stuff as Dreams are made of" sometime in May.

The name of Lloyd Hathaway of Bryant Pond, nephew of Mrs. Mabel Elliott of this town, appears on the honor roll of Bates College.

It is expected that the baseball league composed of teams from the Merchants, Internationals and Oxford Mill, and from the Maine Central, will

be carried out on similar plans as started last year. The winners of the series last year were the Maine Central, who were awarded the cup. Meetings will be held soon to start the league off for a new season.

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